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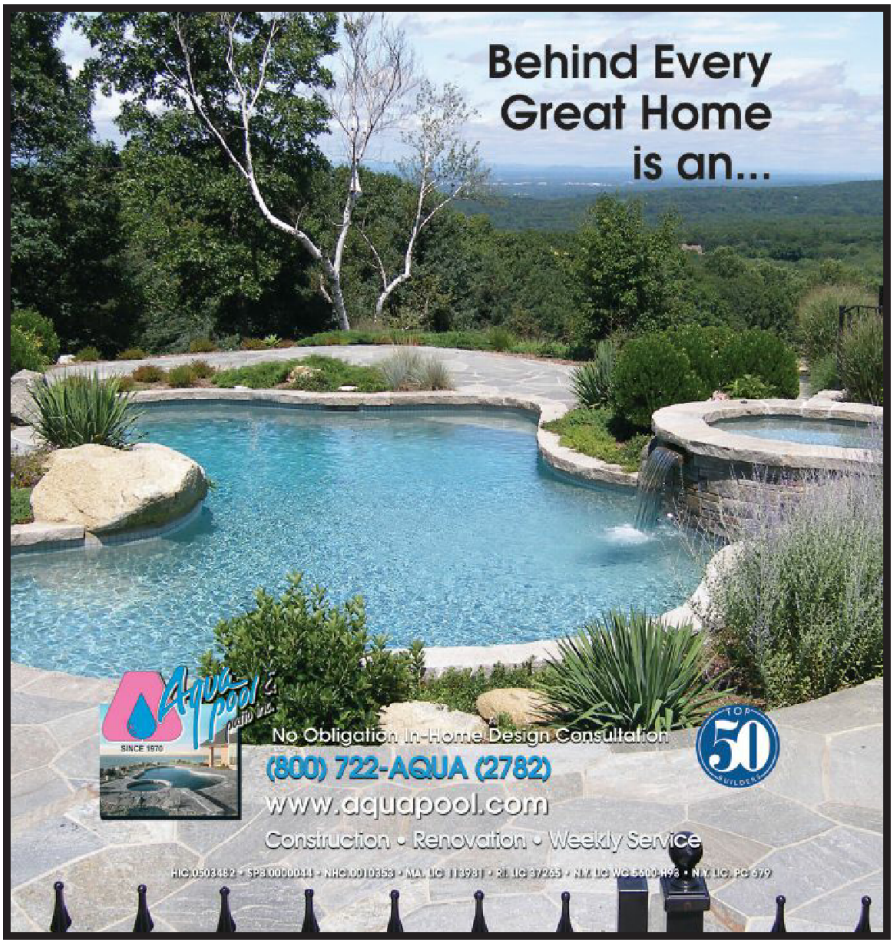

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from the editors

Summer Days Are Here Again

When we originally decided to bring back our annual "Summer Fun" feature, it was in the gloomy dead of this past winter, when thoughts of warm weather revelry seemed like hazy, long-forgotten dreams. But as the snow melted and the days got longer, we became more excited about getting back to enjoying one of our favorite times of the year.

Growing up in Connecticut, we have plenty of summertime memories. Riding our bikes to Walnut Beach in Milford and the adjacent Silver Sands State Park (remember the Chicken Lady, anyone?), where we would spend the day in the sun, playing volleyball, trekking out along the sandbar to Charles Island (never found that treasure!) and trying to impress the ladies with our Frisbee-tossing skills—which, surprisingly, never worked.

Of course, now you can't play Frisbee at the beach because of liability issues, most of Charles Island is closed off during the season because it is the nesting grounds for the piping plover (darn winged pests!) and just being out in the sun for hours on end will damage your skin. Oh well, at least we have our sun-tinged memories . . .

Memories are what you can make this summer with your family, as we have with ours. Starting on page 41, we list dozen of great places to visit and fun things to do over the next few months, including our favorite beaches, water parks, hiking trails, concerts, festivals and sporting events as well as great places to get burgers, hot dogs, lobster rolls, fried clams and, of course, ice cream!

And this is also a preview for next month's issue, which serves up summer dining in a still fun but slightly more rareified level, focusing on Connecticut's best outdoor dining venues, where the food is great and views are even better.

So let us be your guide to summer and let's have some fun!

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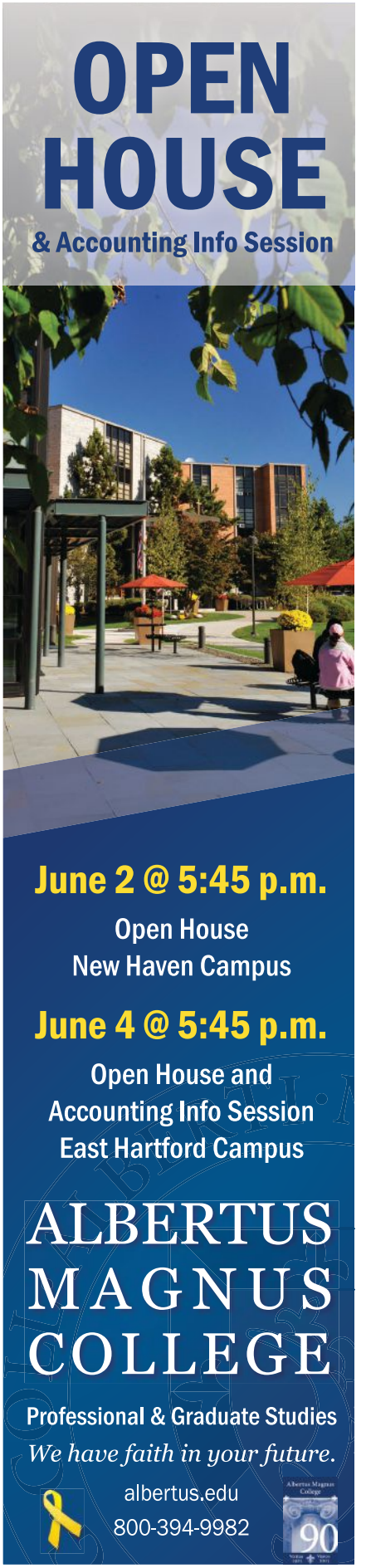
Correction: In our Jim Fowler profile ("Nature's Nobleman, May 2015), we listed Mr. Fowler's current height as 6'2; he is 6'5. In one caption, we misidentified Marlin Perkins as co-host; he was the host of the show, and Mr. Fowler was the co-host. Also, in one photo, it was a king cheetah pictured, not a leopard.



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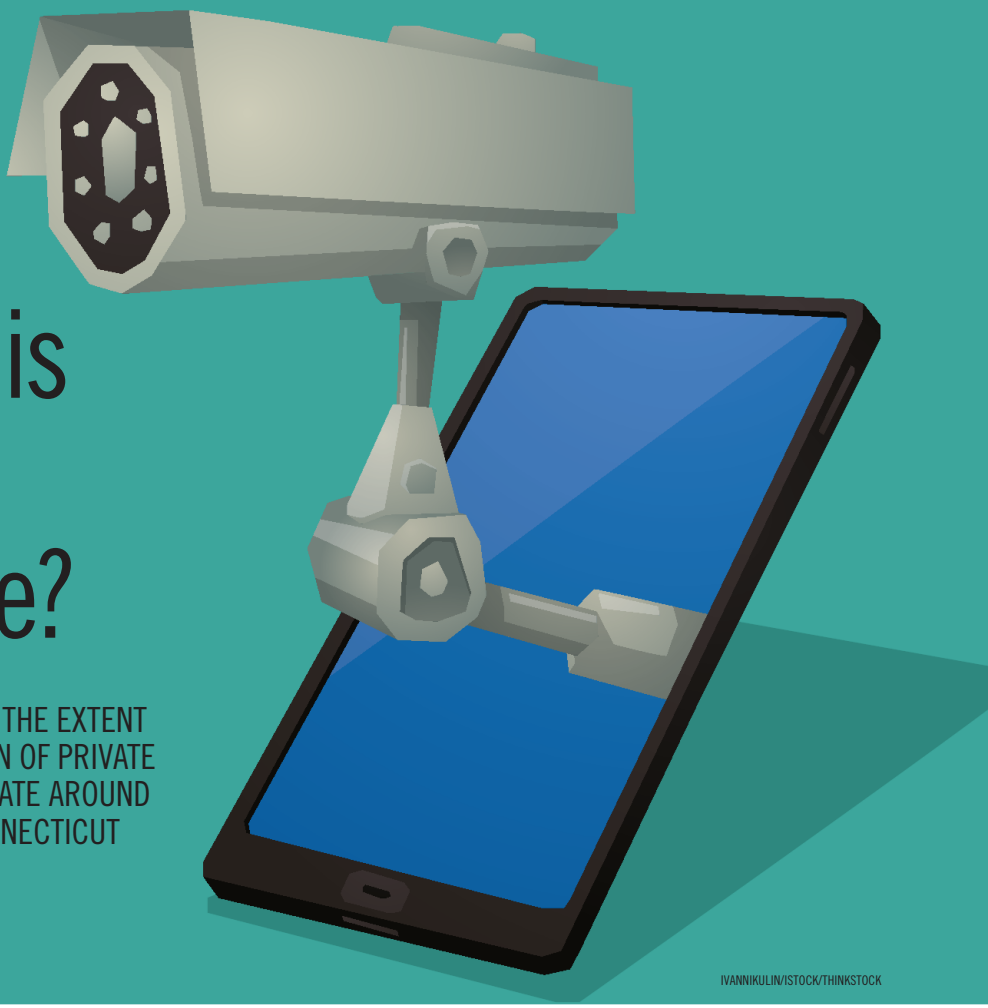

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RECENT DISCLOSURES REGARDING THE EXTENT OF THE GOVERNMENT'S COLLECTION OF PRIVATE CELL PHONE DATA IS STIRRING DEBATE AROUND THE PATRIOT ACT AND SIMILAR CONNECTICUT LEGISLATION.

Mark Missino and Bernard McAllister were partners in crime.

From 2008 to 2010, the Connecticut men stole their way up and down the Connecticut shoreline from Greenwich to Rhode Island in one of the state's most remarkable recent crime sprees. Forcing entry into high-end homes, they amassed more than $1 million in stolen loot, and allegedly used firearms to threaten several victims of their burglaries.

For two years they evaded authorities; then in 2010 the investigation went wireless.

After the duo burglarized a home in Greenwich that year, investigators were able to determine that one of them had made a phone call to the other during the getaway. Using cell phone records, they focused on calls made from the area that did not originate from Greenwich numbers. Subsequently, they were able to ID and arrest Missino and McAllister.

The cellular records were legally obtained by investigators through a 2005 Connecticut law that, according to the ACLU, permits law enforcement agencies to track a person by their cell phone, as well as obtain other information from the network provider, provided there is a reasonable and articulable suspicion that a crime has been, or is being, committed. To get this data, investigators need an order from a judge, but a warrant is not required.

Kevin Kane, chief state's attorney of Connecticut, says the law is an important tool for investigators.

Not everyone agrees.

While few argue against using cellular records to track armed criminals like Missino and McAllister, some worry that in our brave new world of technology—where more and more personal information is passing through cell phones—this law makes it too easy for government agencies to obtain such data.

"It's kind of like a Connecticut Patriot Act for lack of a better term," says David McGuire, an attorney and the legislative and policy director of American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Connecticut.

The debate over this Connecticut law, Connecticut General Statutes § 54-47aa(g), mirrors the ongoing national one about the Patriot Act and government surveillance. The Patriot Act is scheduled to expire on June 1, and though it has been extended in the past, this marks the first time it is up for extension since U.S. government metadata surveillance was exposed by Edward J. Snowden in 2013. There is a strong movement in Congress to significantly reform the act.

In Connecticut, Senate Bill 1092, which seeks to curtail the powers of General Statutes § 54-47aa(g) and require a warrant for law enforcement agencies to obtain cellular information, recently passed out of the Judiciary Committee. The bill is expected to be voted on before the current legislative session ends in early June.

McGuire says since the cellular data law went into effect in 2005, it has been used over

Putting a Face to a Fallen Soldier's Name

In our May 2015 issue, we wrote about the Faces of Margraten tribute, an effort led by a Netherlands organization to find an image of each U.S. soldier buried or memorialized at the Netherlands American Cemetery, a World War II cemetery for U.S. troops in the village of Margraten. There are 10,023 U.S. soldiers, including 167 Connecticut soldiers, honored at the cemetery and the search for images was exhaustive. At the time our story ran, organizers of the Faces of Margraten tribute had not been able to find an image of Private First Class Bill Ruotolo, a soldier from New Haven who is buried in the cemetery. Since then, Sebastiaan Vonk, chairman of the Foundation United Adopters American War Graves, which is organizing the tribute, informed us that relatives of Ruotolo had contacted him after seeing our story and had provided an image (above). "We will now be able to put a face to his name," says Vonk.

14,000 times and "to the best of our knowledge, every order applied for has been granted, largely because the standard is so low."

Though phone calls are not being recorded or listened to, McGuire says the information obtained is extensive. "We've seen signed orders by judges for Facebook messages, text messages, Skype profiles—in other words we've seen orders for content, for essentially everything but the phone calls themselves," he says. "The other piece is that they can also get both historic and real time GPS-tracking information from the cell phone."

In addition, McGuire says the scope of the crime the law is being used for varies. "They range from serious crimes where this type of information would be helpful to law enforcement with a warrant, to very minor crimes, like the docking [cutting] of a horse's tail," he says.

Chief State's Attorney Kane downplayed the extent of the information obtained from cellular records. "The Patriot Act goes way beyond this—this is just very limited access to business record information. It doesn't permit the search of anybody's cell phone," he says. "It's really a legitimate and important law enforcement tool and I would hate to see that tool taken away from the police or limited so strictly that it became not really helpful."

He adds, "If there is concern about its constitutionality, that's an issue that ought to be left for the courts. The courts are very capable of deciding that."

On the national level, U.S. Sen. Richard Blumenthal (D-Conn.) says that when it comes to the balancing act between privacy and public safety, there are no easy answers.

"It's one of the greatest challenges of my service in Congress, because I see both the national security threat as a member of the Armed Services Committee and the need for vigilance and vigor in protecting constitutional rights as a member of the Judiciary Committee, and I'm committed to doing both," he says. He adds that the Patriot Act is in need of reform. "Excessive government surveillance has really undermined the public's trust and confidence in their government's national security efforts, and their trust can be restored and maintained only by strong and effective judicial oversight of government surveillance."

Right now, the secret Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) court must approve surveillance requests, but many charge the court acts as a rubber stamp for law enforcement agencies—between 1979 and 2013 it has declined only 11 of the more than 33,900 surveillance requests made by the government.

Last year, Blumenthal co-sponsored the USA FREEDOM Act. The bill, which did not pass, would have banned unnecessary bulk collection of American phone records, prevented the targeting of U.S. citizens for surveillance, facilitated greater transparency regarding surveillance and reformed the FISA court, requiring stronger judicial oversight. "It would have created a special advocate, which was really my original proposal that was adopted by the President in his draft legislation to congress," Blumenthal says. "This special advocate would be, in effect, an advocate for the Constitution and constitutional rights and individual liberties, and would present the argument opposing the government's. Right now, the government acts alone; there is no contrary argument before the FISA court."

Blumenthal plans to co-sponsor a new bill that will be similar to the USA FREEDOM Act. "My hope is the fundamental provisions of that bill will be incorporated in a new measure that we will introduce in the very near future," he says.

In 2014, both Missino and McAllister were sentenced to more than 25 years in prison. Chief State's Attorney Kane worries that if Bill 1092 were passed, investigators would be hindered in solving similar cases; he is also not certain there would have been probable cause for a warrant to be issued for cell phone records in that case. "There are a load of examples where in all likelihood we do not have probable cause to get really basic business records from the cell phone provider, and the date and time of a call," he says.

Others believe that there is a way to enforce stricter privacy while still ensuring investigators have the necessary means to arrest and convict potentially dangerous criminals.

State senator John Kissel (R-Enfield), who voted in favor of Bill 1092 on the judiciary committee, believes—like Blumenthal on the national level—that privacy can be protected without hindering public safety.

"I don't think the bill hampers law enforcement—we're just trying to make sure that there's reasonable parameters," he says. "We constantly strive to create a fair balance. We definitely take the input we receive from the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association and other law enforcement folks such as the chief state's attorney. We don't want to tie their hands but, at the same time, we're very mindful, being a proud New England state, of people's right to privacy. We don't want government agencies or law enforcement to be too intrusive unless public safety is at stake." | E.O. |

Dr. Lorenzo Cervantes led the effort to restore the sight of artist Mia Ekbergh *(inset)*.

The Gift of Sight

A PROSTHETIC CORNEA HELPS AN ARTIST SEE CLEARLY AGAIN.

Ten years ago, Mia Ekbergh, an artist who lives in Naugatuck, developed a bad infection in her left eye, possibly from a contaminated contact lens. It took a long time to heal and left a scar on her cornea, which began compromising her vision.

The cornea is the transparent, dome-shaped window covering the front of the eye. It has a refracting surface and provides most of the eye's focusing power, affecting the clarity of a person's vision.

Ekbergh had a cornea transplant, which involved cutting the scar out and sewing in a new cornea from a donor, explains Dr. Lorenzo Cervantes, a surgeon in Waterbury with OptiCare.

"Her body rejected it," Cervantes says of the transplanted cornea, a procedure with which he wasn't involved.

Ekbergh tried again with a standard cornea transplant—and again, with the same result.

"When you reject a cornea, it stays there and heals into place but becomes swollen, cloudy and painful," says Cervantes, whom OptiCare calls "one of a very few surgeons who offers prosthetic cornea transplants."

Ekbergh describes 90 stitches having to be "pulled out" after each cornea was rejected.

Like most people who reject a cornea transplant, she was left to deal with encroaching blindness in the eye.

Meanwhile, she was developing a cataract in her right eye, compromising its vision. "I was blind for seven years. During that time I kept rejecting human corneas," says Ekbergh. (Technically, Cervantes says, her left eye was cornea blind and her right eye was not blind but symptomatic of cataracts and experiencing worsening vision.)

Then she met Cervantes, who performed a prosthetic cornea transplant about a year ago, using the Boston Keratoprosthesis developed by Dr. Claes H. Dohlman at Massachusetts Eye and Ear.

"The Boston Keratoprosthesis can be used after standard corneal transplant has failed or when such a transplant would be unlikely to succeed," the Massachusetts Eye and Ear website explains. "Thus keratoprosthesis implantation is a procedure designed to help patients whose conditions are the most difficult to treat."

The keratoprosthesis is made of clear plastic and "has the shape of a collar-button."

After her surgery, Ekbergh says, "I could see. It was like a miracle."

"After we had treated the worse eye with this transplant, it gave her the confidence to go on and take care of the cataract eye," Cervantes says.

Among the benefits of prosthetic cornea transplant, Cervantes says, is this one: "Even if the scaffold we use to implant the prosthesis is rejected, the center stays clear."

Ekbergh rejected and scarred over the scaffold cornea but she can still see. And her right eye is doing great, Cervantes says, giving her new status and new confidence.

"The care for this can be quite demanding. Mia's in my office maybe every six to eight weeks to make sure the prosthetic is healthy and doing well," says Cervantes, explaining that she has to wear a contact lens at all times and use antibiotic drops. Lots of patients get glaucoma after a transplant, and Ekbergh was preemptively treated for it.

"If everything stays as it is, then the eye should remain in good shape," according to Cervantes. "She's been doing quite well over the last year. She's been very comfortable with it. There have been no signs of any problems.

"It works for the right patients," he adds.

While prosthetic cornea transplants offer great hope, the procedure is far from common.

Massachusetts Eye and Ear says that since January 2000, more than 7,000 Boston Keratoprothesis implantations have been performed. Cervantes, citing statistics compiled by the Eye Bank Association of America, says there were 72,736 cornea transplants done in U.S. in 2013, and of those just 255 involved prosthetic cornea transplants.

Meanwhile, Dohlman is in his early 90s and still practicing. "He's still trying to improve the [Boston Keratoprothesis]," Cervantes says.

OptiCare Eye Health Centers, Inc. operates 18 eye centers as well as two surgery centers, one of which is a laser correction center in Connecticut. OptiCare is an integrated eye care services company focused on consumer vision services, including medical, surgical and optometric services and optical retail.

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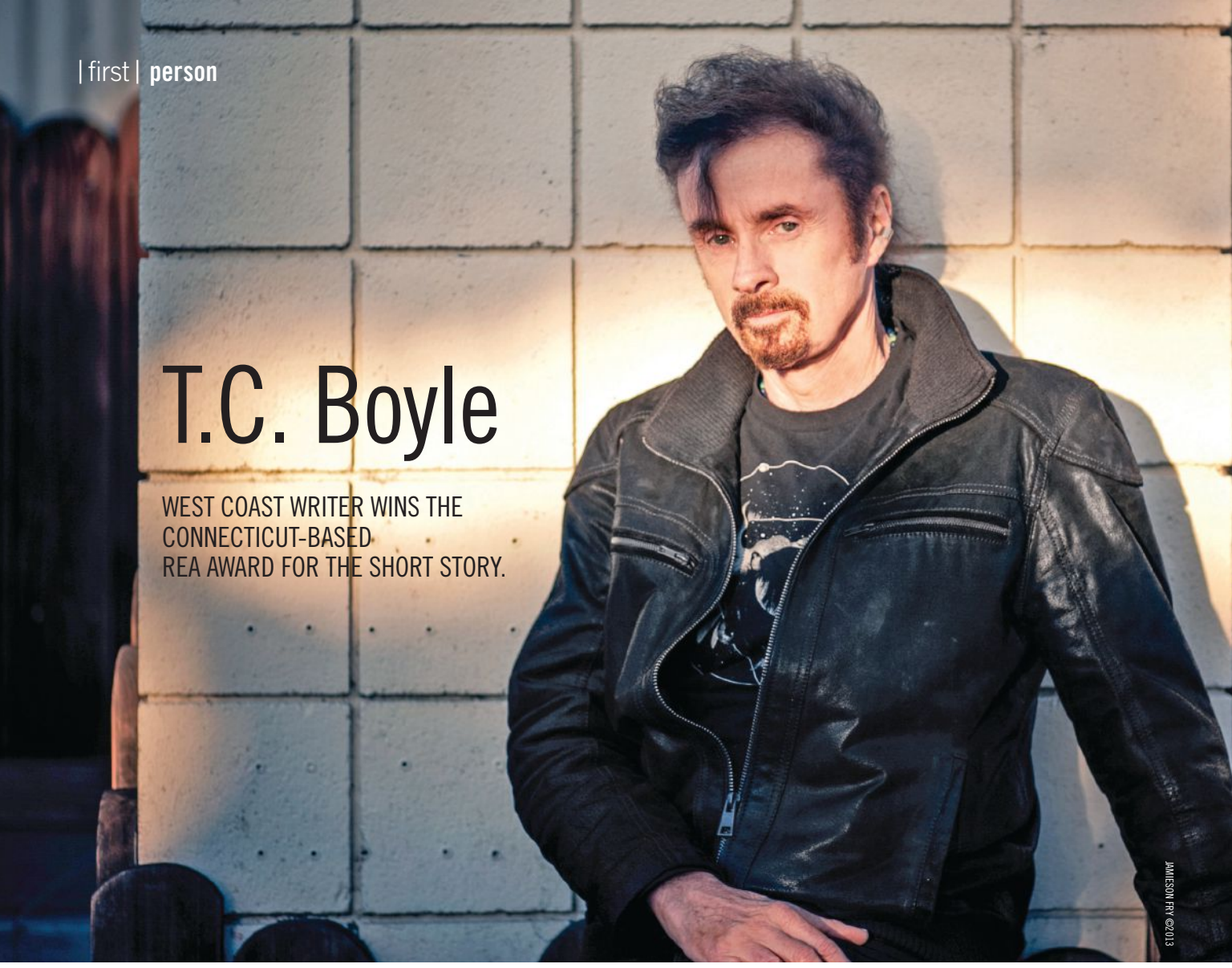

T.C. Boyle

WEST COAST WRITER WINS THE CONNECTICUT-BASED REA AWARD FOR THE SHORT STORY.

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It's late afternoon when T.C. Boyle calls—early evening on the West Coast, where he has just traveled through a gorgeous high pass landscape as part of the book tour for his 15th novel, *The New York Times* bestseller *The Harder They Come*, released in March.

There are no lonely corners of near-empty bookstores for Boyle, no folding tables from Target stacked with crisply-printed books longing for the human touch. He's a rock star in the world of writers, an in-demand performer who draws big crowds to hear his gymnastically coiled words spring to life.

Adding to a long list of prestigious awards, Boyle was recently given the Robert Kirsch Award for Lifetime Achievement as part of the 2014 *Los Angeles Times* Book Awards (like taxes, literary awards that arrive in the spring are typically for the preceding year).

But it's another award that we've connected to talk about, the 2014 Rea Award for the Short Story, announced in late April, which comes with a $30,000 prize and represents a Connecticut initiative in its 29th year.

The late Michael M. Rea founded the award in 1986 to encourage the writing of short fiction. Given annually, it recognizes a living U. S. or Canadian writer who has made a significant contribution to maintaining the short story as an art form. The award is sponsored by the Dungannon Foundation, overseen by Rea's widow, the photographer Elizabeth Richebourg Rea, who lives in Litchfield County. This year's jurors—who nominate writers and choose the winner—were Richard Bausch, Robert Olen Butler and Elizabeth Strout.

In honoring Boyle they wrote: *T.C. Boyle is a genuine American original. In more than one hundred short stories and ten story collections (plus fifteen novels), Tom Boyle has furnished his own highly public and deluxe corner of contemporary American letters. His stories fairly glitter with imagination, an immense variety, hilarity, ambition and achieved talent. To his enduring credit and his readers' delight and amazement, less is not in the Boyle fictive vocabulary, though in his stories' dedication to matters of the heart and the human spirit, his finely tuned wit and his vision of our sometimes sad American fate have nothing of the cynical or the hopeless. His incomparable stories, even in their occasional dark interludes, always come to us as a celebration. They redeem us and delight us and awaken our awareness as the finest writing should.*

The Rea Award "took me completely by surprise," says Boyle, who thinks of short stories as an art form: "It's like writing poems or painting pictures or composing music."

"I take it as a challenge to write in any mode from any point of view," Boyle says of his process, which often begins with a "what if" moment. "I'm always looking for new modes of storytelling, both in the novel and the story.'"

"He is amazing," says Rea, citing his "incredible capacity to have a 22-city book tour. He had audiences of up to 1,000 in Los Angeles."

Despite all of his success, Boyle, as Rea notes, is "really touched by getting the Rea Award." He has a passion for the short story—and, as the Rea Award is both fostering and counting on, so do American readers.

For more on the Rea Award, visit reaaward.org.

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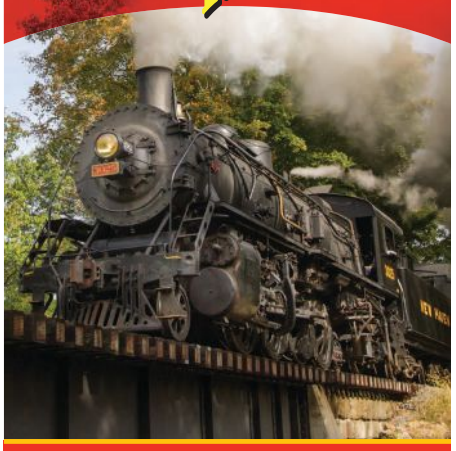

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(left) Participants in front of the Capitol during a prior charity walk. (above) Stacey Chavez, Patty O'Brian and Rose Vigdal of the Alzheimer's Association. (below) Members of Branford Crossfit who participated in an all-day workout and cookout for The Longest Day.

THE ORGANIZATION: Alzheimer's Association, Connecticut Chapter

THE STORY: The Alzheimer's Association dreams of a world without this debilitating, progressive disease that affects over five million Americans. It is currently the sixth leading cause of death in the U.S.

Unfortunately, we're years away from that reality. Today, there is no cure or treatment for Alzheimer's disease, but that only drives the association to push harder for research and policy change, and to provide support to patients and their caregivers.

The local chapter, whose main office recently moved to Southington and operates four other offices across the state, works to help the more than 70,000 Connecticut residents affected by Alzheimer's. The three-pillar approach—support, education and research—allows the group to fully assist those in need, says Jennifer Walker, chapter vice president of communications and advocacy.

"We facilitate support groups with trained leaders either at their facilities or here at our offices," explains Walker. "Two or three years ago we established an early stage support group called Giving Alzheimer's Purpose (GAP). This is for people in the early stages, usually younger than 65.

"It was a national initiative, but we had such a need here. More people are being diagnosed earlier and younger. Those in the early stages have different needs than those in the later stages. They felt like they didn't have a place to go for that."

The local chapter is always available to people through its 24/7 support line and also provides support groups for caregivers, who often neglect their own well-being while tending to a loved one.

"Caregivers for someone with Alzheimer's and dementia are caregivers for longer than most diseases. It's not just physical care. It is mental too," says Walker. "We find it's really important that the caregivers have a group to talk to and know they're not alone."

The education piece comes through training for people in direct contact with Alzheimer's and dementia patients, including family members.

Shockingly, the majority of diagnoses are not disclosed to patients and their caregivers to avoid "distress." Only 45 percent of patients are made aware of their condition, compared to a near 90 percent disclosure rate for cancer patients. The association advocates for doctor disclosure, and educates patients on the correct questions to ask.

The most visible examples of the chapter's work are the annual walks and fundraisers, which aid research on a national level. The Connecticut chapter hosts six walks through the fall. This year, they hope to raise $1.5 million for research. They also host a number of galas including the inaugural Brain Ball at the Connecticut Science Center in March, which raised nearly $150,000.

On the summer solstice, June 21, people around the state will participate in "The Longest Day," a sunrise-to-sunset fundraising and awareness event designed to symbolize the challenging journey of those living with Alzheimer's and their caregivers. People are encouraged to host their own events, personalized around activities they love.

For example, Cindy and Darrell Phillips of Griswold hosted a fundraising softball game last year called Darrell's Dugout, which raised more than $2,800 through donations and concessions. They will hold the family-fun event again this year at the Griswold High School Varsity Field from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

"My husband was diagnosed in January 2014. He was 55 at the time," says Cindy Phillips. "My husband is an avid Red Sox fan. He loves baseball. When he heard his diagnosis he said he wanted to play one more game. That's how it happened. He is wheelchair bound at this point. It was his last game where he could fully participate."

All "Longest Day" events will be included on the Connecticut chapter's calendar.

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Mystic Kids

Fun in the sun

By MICHELLE BODAK ACRI

The sky is blue, the sun is bright and there's the fresh scent of salt in the air—it must be June in Mystic Country. Tall ships and toy boats, fireflies and kite flies, Meghan Trainor and Ariana Grande—oh, yeah, we've got it going on in Mystic this summer. And who better to share it with than the little ones you love? So gather up the kids, leave that "to-do" list to collect some dust and head right on out the door. Summer, glorious summer, awaits!

Action-packed

Mohegan Sun's (888/226-7711, mohegansun.com) very own WNBA team, the Connecticut Sun, calls Mohegan Sun Arena home and plans to bring all the basketball action you can handle to the court this summer. Upcoming dates include a June 5 matchup with the Washington Mystics, June 11 with the Chicago Sky, June 14 with the Atlanta Dream, June 26 with the Los Angeles Sparks and June 30 with the Indiana Fever.

Other hot tickets this summer include Shawn Mendes on June 7, booty-shaking Meghan Trainor on July 4, Idina Menzel Live on July 11 and Ariana Grande on Aug. 2.

As for family-friendly good eats, Jimmy Buffett's Margaritaville (balloon hats for everyone!), Frank Pepe Pizzeria Napoletana (what kid is gonna say "no" to pizza?), Ben & Jerry's primo ice cream, and jumpin' and jivin' Johnny Rockets top the list. Or you can bring the whole gang to Sun BBQ Fest 2015 on June 13 and 14 for some finger-lickin' fun. Festivities include live music, a beer trailer, barbecue battles and all the tasty meat you can sink your teeth into!

Should you decide to get in a little shopping, Once Upon A Time Toys stocks everything from plush and retro toys to board games and classics from brands like LEGO, Sesame Street, Fisher Price and Crayola; Spin Street boasts an extensive selection of CDs, DVDs, cutting-edge electronics and video games; and Dylan's Candy Bar is loaded with more than 5,000 (!) types of candy. The Shops at Mohegan Sun also features Kids Quest/Cyber Quest, which give the kiddos a space of their own. Kids Quest offers licensed, supervised child care for children aged six weeks to 12 years. Little ones live it up in hot spots like the karaoke section, theater, play kitchen and iPad station, while Cyber Quest, a state-of-the-art arcade, is where you'll find all the bigger kids (follow the buzz).

Better yet: If you're staying at the hotel, there's a 10,000 square-foot solarium with an indoor/outdoor pool where the kids can amuse themselves while you relax on the sun terrace.

You're welcome.

Thar she blows...

Voyaging in the Wake of the Whalers makes its debut at **Mystic Seaport** (860/572-0711, mysticseaport.org) on June 20. This 4,400-square-foot exhibit will offer a fresh take on the history of American whaling by combining museum artifacts, artworks, audiovisual elements and interactive displays to paint a picture of the forces that initially drove the whaling industry, humankind's changing perception of whales, and the latest research into whale-human interactions. The exhibit will also incorporate elements from the 1841 whaleship *Charles W. Morgan* (the last remaining wooden whaleship in the world), and its historic 38th voyage last summer, to raise awareness of America's maritime heritage and to call attention to issues of ocean sustainability and conservation.

Seasonal fun for the little ones includes the chance to craft their own toy boat, "swab" the decks at the Children's Museum, furl a sail in the Discovery Barn, check out a "Nav Quest" kit in the Nautical Instruments Shop and find their way around the museum using the navigational tools of a sailor, or even pick up art supplies at the Art Spot and set out on the museum grounds to create their own maritime masterpiece.

Want a different perspective of this 19th-century seafaring village? Sign up for a 25-minute waterfront tour aboard the launches *Necessity* or *Liberty,* a 30-minute sail aboard the *Breck Marshall* (a 20-foot Crosby catboat reproduction), or a visit to the boathouse to rent a rowboat or a sailboat for a little "high-seas" exploration of your own on the Mystic River. Plan your visit between June 11 and 14 to take in the 36th annual Sea Music Festival and hear national and international performers, along with the museum's chantey staff, perform music from the Golden Age of Sail through the best of contemporary compositions. Festivities will include daytime and evening concerts, special performances for children and instructional workshops.

The 24th annual WoodenBoat Show will take place June 26 to 28 and offer something for all wooden-boat enthusiasts and marine history buffs. Wooden boats of every type—large and small, old and new, power, sail, oar and paddle—will be on proud display, including cruising yachts, runabouts, fishing boats, performance powerboats, dinghies, rowboats, canoes, performance shells, multihulls and racing boats.

For flag-waving family fun, plan your visit for July 4th and the seaport's Independence Day Celebration circa 1876, which will include boat

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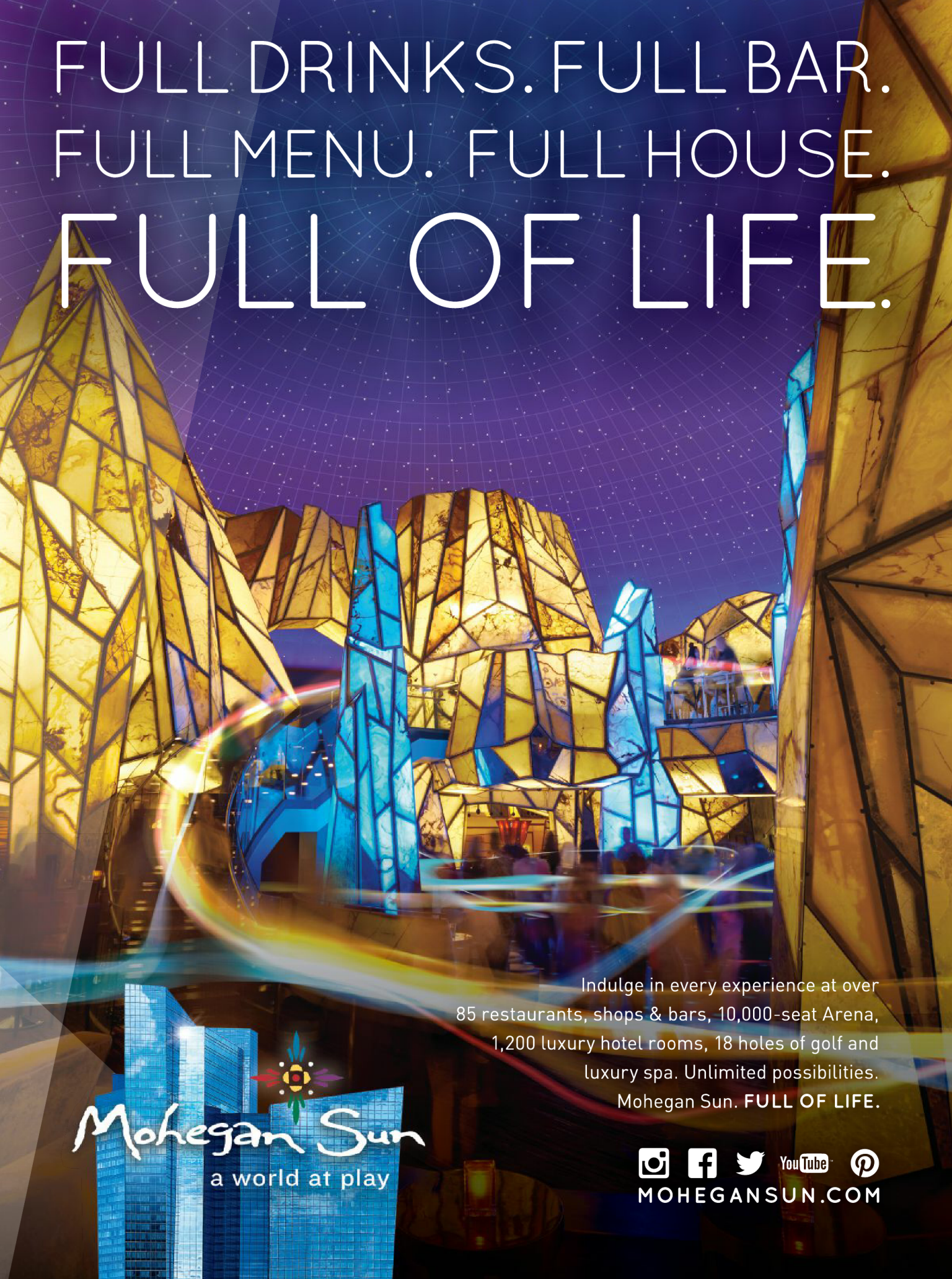
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Overnight sensation

The building that now houses the **Old Lyme Inn** (860/434-2600, oldlymeinn.com) was constructed circa 1856 by the Champlain family and was the center of a 300-acre working farm. In fact, at the turn of the century many of Old Lyme's famous Impressionist artists hauled their painting wagons into the fields and woodlands of the farm and used its barn as a studio. Each of the 13 guest rooms here have been fully restored so that new (flat-screen TVs, gas fireplaces and organic linens) and old (antique furniture original to the inn and local artwork) mix nicely. And the best news yet for families hitting the road this summer? Children are welcomed in rooms one through eight. Room five, a "secret" corner room overlooking the barn and grounds, is a favorite.

At the restaurant, menus change seasonally in order to encompass locally sourced produce, meats and seafood, and dishes run the gamut from traditional selections to unique options that the folks here like to think will challenge the way you think about food.

Lunch choices may include: a seafood po' boy with your choice of cornmeal-encrusted shrimp, Stonington scallops or oysters; a French dip with slow-roasted top round, Gruyère cheese and au jus served on a toasted garlic baguette; or crisp kale Ceasar salad.

As for dinner, think along the lines of grilled salmon served atop sweet-potato hash with bell peppers and red onions finished with spiced-rum butter; peppercorn-encrusted filet mignon au poivre with brandy cream sauce; or a lush bouillabaisse with sautéed shrimp, sea scallops, littleneck clams, mussels, lobster and haddock in saffron tomato broth.

A children's menu covers kid-friendly favorites like fish and chips, grilled cheese, orecchiette pasta and chicken tenders. The kids can even head to the library to play some board games while waiting for their food to be ready.

Note to parents looking to combine a little education and hands-on fun: Every Sunday through September is Make-A-Painting Sunday at the Florence Griswold Museum, the wonderland of American Impressionism, right across from the inn. The program is free with museum admission and encouraged for visitors of all ages. Canvas, palette, paint, brushes, a smock and a quick lesson in color mixing is included. In good weather, your budding artistes may even paint *en plein air* just as those Old Lyme impressionists did more than 100 years ago.

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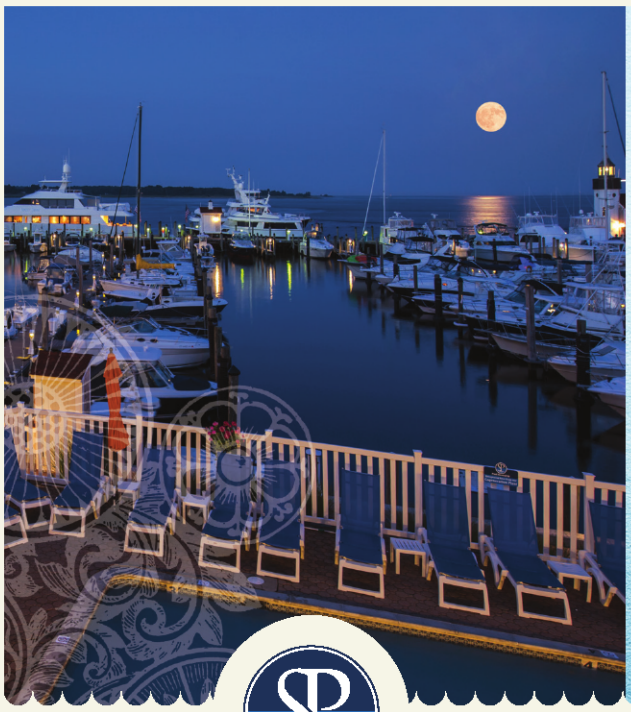

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Savor a tantalizing meal expertly prepared with the highest quality seasonal ingredients at Fresh Salt, the Inn's award-winning waterfront restaurant. The executive chef works closely with local farmers, artisans and fishermen to maintain the farm-to-chef philosophies in place at the restaurant. Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner, Fresh Salt also features a lounge menu of lighter fare as well as indoor and outdoor seating with breathtaking waterfront vistas.Unwind with a signature cocktail by the outdoor Fire Bar overlooking the marina or experience an expert pairing of small plates with wines or martinis featured on the new "Bites and Flights" menu, available Monday through Friday from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Treat yourself to the pampering you deserve at Sanno, the full-service spa at the Saybrook Point Inn. Offering massages, body scrubs, facials, nail treatments, makeup application and more, Sanno is the perfect destination for a romantic couple's treatment or a refreshing "day-cation" with friends. Indulge in one of the spa's signature body rituals like the "Ocean Memory," which uses marine-based products to evoke the aroma and skin-soothing benefits of the sea. This body treatment features a gentle polish, an application of detoxifying algae mousse, and a full massage comprised of motions reminiscent of the ebb and flow of the tide.

Say, say, oh, playmate

The Bowerbird (860/434-3562, thebowerbird.com) in Old Lyme specializes in what the friendly folk here like to call "impulsive necessities"—some 4,500 square feet of them as a matter of fact. We're talking anything and everything: gadgets for your kitchen and gizmos for your pet, snazzy jewelry, the entire Vera Bradley collection, gourmet goodies, greeting cards from more than 60 companies, custom stationery, books, garden accessories, and, yes, loads of cool stuff for kids looking to head outdoors in their quest for summer fun—seriously, more than 2,000 vendors are represented here!

Top contenders include: the big, bouncy Y'all Ball (32 inches in diameter); Hit Mits, which are worn over the hand like a glove and allow you to become the paddle; made-in-the-USA Aerobie Skylighter discs, with bright LEDs light up the night; a Green Toys™ Seaplane for earth-friendly excitement in the sky, out at sea or in the pool; a Crazy Forts kit to make your own backyard retreat; scores of classic kites (a high-flying little red lobster and wiggly, giggly purple jellyfish are two favorites); and, finally, Creature Peepers, kid-(and bug-) friendly viewers with 3x magnification for when your little scientists are ready to explore.

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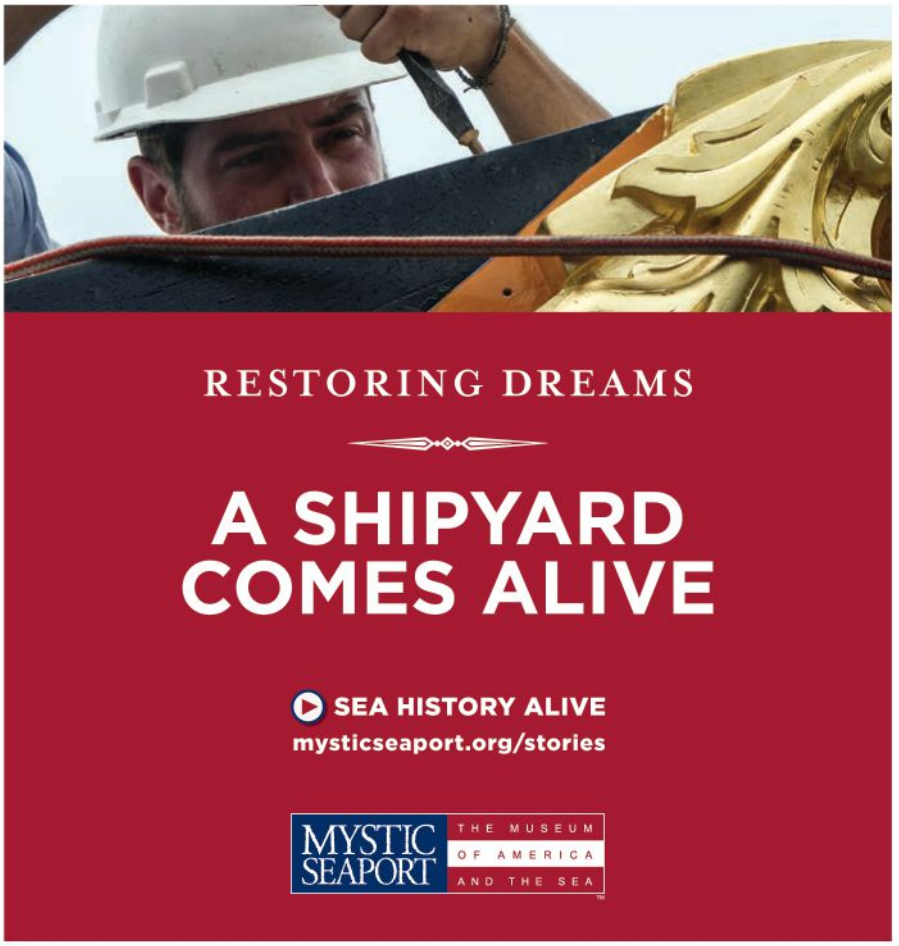

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GETTING SHIP SHAPE

Historic New London comes alive June 20 and 21 with beautiful boats and displays for enthusiasts and amateurs alike. A perfect opportunity to get the family outside, the **In Water Boat Show** allows visitors to admire a variety of boats, vendors and tour three historic harbor lighthouses. *downtownnewlondonassociation.com.*

THE BIG STAGE

The **Connecticut Repertory Theatre**'s first two shows of the Nutmeg Summer Series will get a little extra star power with three-time Tony Award nominee Terrence Mann. The Broadway star returns to UConn's Harriet S. Jorgensen Theatre first as Inspector Javert in *Les Misérables*, which he is also directing, from May 28 through June 7, and then as Captain Hook in *Peter Pan* from June 18 through July 3. *(860) 486-1629, crt.uconn.edu.*

FLOWER POWER

Experience the blooming best of the state during Connecticut's **Historic Gardens Day** on June 28. Seven of the state's most beautiful historic gardens—including at the Florence Griswold Museum, Harkness Memorial State Park, Hill-Stead Museum and Roseland Cottage—will welcome the public with gorgeous landscaping, fragrant flowers, special events and more. *cthistoricgardens.org.*

DOWN & DIRTY

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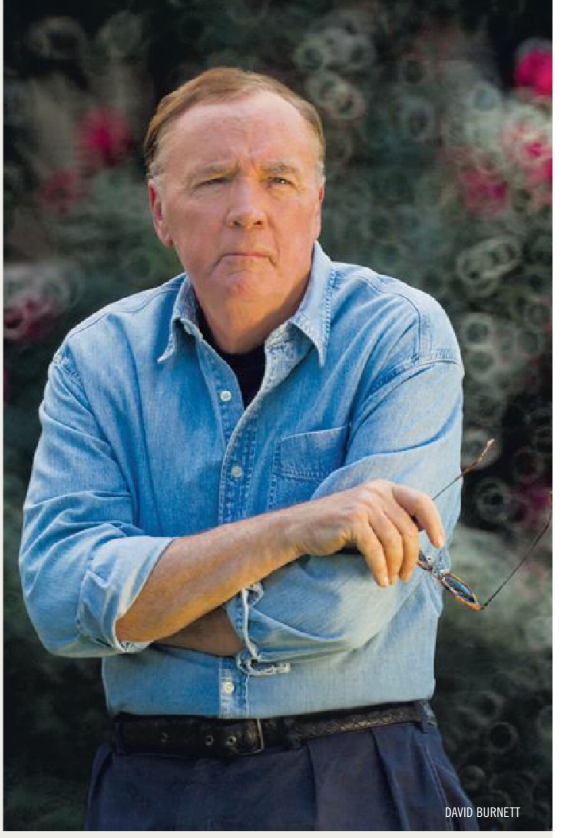
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To call **James Patterson**—known as the world's best-selling author—prolific would be a gross understatement. On average he produces nine novels a year and there are more than 300 million copies of his books in print. How is that possible? Patterson is proud of his co-author collaborations, and continues to write novels on his own. His latest passion is writing young adult novels and inspiring children to read. Patterson is at the Immanuel Congregational Church in Hartford with WNPR's Ray Hardman to discuss his work on June 17. The event benefits The Mark Twain House & Museum.

Were you a big reader when you were young?

I was not a big reader. I went to Catholic school and I think we were given a lot of books that just didn't turn us on. When I moved to Boston, I worked in a mental hospital. I worked a lot of night shifts and did a lot of reading. I just became a maniac. At 20 years old I was reading 12 hours a day. Then I started scribbling and I just loved it.

That got you writing?

When I was a younger kid I would go in the woods and make up stories. I think that's kind of where that talent was started. I can remember going down to Vanderbilt when I was a grad student and writing two musical comedies in my head on the way there. The imagination was there and it kept developing in odd ways. I started writing stories and I thought, "I love this."

What keeps you busy?

My passion is kids' books. As individuals we can't really move the needle much for global warming, but we can do something for education. We can get our own kids reading. Even bright kids, a lot of them who are decent readers, don't read enough and don't read broad enough. I'm encouraging adults, parents and grandparents to get it through their skulls that it's their job to get their kids reading. It's good if they teach them how to cook or throw a baseball, but the most important thing is that they become good readers. Kids who don't read well, the chances of them getting into trouble or not finishing school or not getting a decent job quadruple.

What inspired you to branch out into young adult novels?

Watching my son Jack and his friends. There was some stimulation from the agent, too. I started with the Maximum Ride books, which are young adult. Then I got into the Middle School series and loved those. I want to write books that when kids finish them they say, "I want another book."

How do you balance all the books you write?

When you're in my office, that's when you really get it. There is shelving all around the room with 50 live projects on them. People think that nobody can do it. It's like, 'He's a factory and doesn't read every book.' That's not true. I wrote two books by myself last year, and I read everything that comes in. I write drafts with my co-writers. Eventually I'll do at least one pass at every book that's produced.

How did you develop your co-author relationships?

It was a fluke. I played golf with a friend of mine who had written a lot of nonfiction. I had this idea for a golf novel, so I told him the whole story. Why don't we do that? People always ask how the collaboration works. I tell them, "Simon and Garfunkel, Lennon and McCarthy." They think, "Oh right. People do collaborate." It was very successful.

Almost all of [the books], with rare exceptions, are my idea. I'll give them my 60- to 80-page outline. I encourage them to contribute to the outline because I want them to be emotionally invested in the book. I've gone into a lot of other fields. I'm working on a show called "The Zoo" for CBS. There are ten writers in there doing 40-page scripts and people talk about me. I'll work with one writer on a 400-page book.

What still excites you about writing?

All of it. I'm interested in the growth of Alex Cross. I like the Women's Murder Club. I like the way they interact. There's a total bomb in the next Women's Murder Club novel. Something happens that changes so much of the chemistry there. You can do things like that in the 15th or 16th book that changes it all. | K.H. |

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Connecticut Open House Day

Connecticut's doors will be wide open and welcome signs will beckon visitors to come in, walk around and enjoy some of the state's best tourist attractions on June 13.

The 11th annual Connecticut Open House Day is an opportunity for residents to discover, or perhaps rediscover, some of the state's best arts, entertainment and historical gems. More than 150 destinations will participate, including 29 for the first time this year, making it the largest tourism event in Connecticut. Most attractions will offer free admission, tours, discounts, prizes and giveaways. So basically there's no excuse to stay at home.

"We want to transform the state residents into Connecticut ambassadors, to educate them about the diverse blend of experiences that are here in their own backyard," says Tourism Division Director Randy Fiveash. "We often find out that our own residents don't know everything that there is to see and do and experience right here. We want them to know what to do so that when they have guests come and stay in their home, they can take them somewhere and suggest something."

Open House Day gives residents the chance to explore their beautiful state, but it also gives attractions, big and small, the opportunity to showcase what they do and receive a level of exposure perhaps not normally enjoyed.

The Ivoryton Playhouse is one such destination. With a long history of cultural importance hosting stars including Katharine Hepburn and Betty Grable, the theatre still struggles for statewide awareness. Artistic Director Jacqueline Hubbard says she enjoys taking part in Open House Day because it gives the venue a chance to show the public everything it has to offer.

"I think it's important that we're all part of a larger whole," says Hubbard. "Small businesses like ours, we don't have a huge advertising budget. We don't have a large reach beyond our area. Connecting like this gives us a much larger reach."

The playhouse will be offering free tours of the 140-year-old building, which was renovated in 2000. Visitors can go backstage and get a behind-the-scenes look at the sets for the upcoming production of *Calendar Girls,* based on the film of the same name starring Helen Mirren.

"It's kind of a giving back," says Hubbard. "Come in and see who we are. See what we do."

Fascia's Chocolates in Waterbury is another business signed on for this year's event. It first joined the lineup last year as a way to tell the public it is more than just a candy factory.

"Fascia's Chocolates is relatively new as a tourist destination even though we are celebrating our 50th year in business," says Fascia's Chocolates President Carmen Romeo. "Last year we decided to participate somewhat late in the game and just tried it. We offer a mini version, 20 minutes or so, of what is normally a one-hour tour. We're able to do six tours every hour for free."

Romeo says Fascia's wants to do their part in "raising the image of Connecticut as a whole." *ctvisit.com* | K.H. |

This year's Open House Day participants include The Ivoryton Playhouse *(top)* and Fascia's Chocolates in Waterbury.

Judy Blume

ELENA SEIBERT

Author Judy Blume is perhaps best known for her novels tackling important topics for teens and young adults such as *Are You There God? It's Me Margaret* and *Forever.* It's safe to say few writers have had as big an impact on young readers, touching upon topics including divorce, bullying and menstruation. However, the acclaimed author transcends the young adult (YA) category that she basically created because, as she reminds us, "There was no such category when I started to write."

Her latest novel steps well beyond the bounds of the YA genre as well as outside her typical writing process. *In the Unlikely Event,* released on June 2, is an adult novel centered on the series of tragic airplane crashes that occurred in New Jersey in the 1950s. She has written three other adult novels.

Blume will make two appearances in Connecticut this June to discuss her latest novel and her esteemed writing career—first in a Greenwich JCC event at the Greenwich Public Library on June 23, and then at RJ Julia Booksellers in Madison on June 26. Both events will begin at 7 p.m.

During the winter of 1951 and 1952, three airplanes fell out of the sky while arriving at or departing from the Newark Liberty International Airport, landing in Elizabeth, New Jersey—Blume's hometown. She was a 14-year-old girl at the time of the accidents and has distinct memories, but says she forgot about them over the last 60 years.

It was a simple phrase overheard at the Key West Literary Seminar that brought it all back to her. Hearing "In the '50s . . ." flooded Blume with memories and motivated her to explore that period in her life.

"I have been writing for almost 50 years and it never occurred to me that I have this story to tell," says Blume. "I must have carried it. It must have been deeply buried. It's funny because my daughter became a pilot. She read the book and said, 'Mom, how could you not have told me this?' My husband grew up in Baltimore. He was a part of a teenage club where they would track planes on the weekends because of the Communist threats. They talked about it, but we never did. I never did, and then it just came back to me in a flash."

In the Unlikely Event is not Blume's personal story. The novel centers on a time and place she knows well. During that moment of inspiration five years ago, she says the story came to her fully realized, which never happens. It is about three families and how their lives are forever impacted by a plane crash.

"I felt I knew the three families. I knew how they would be connected. That was pretty exciting, but then I had to write the book. It's always tough," she says.

Blume embarked on five intense months of research, a first for her and a process she really enjoyed. She then took five years to write the novel, taking breaks to make a movie with her son and write children's books.

After making final touches, she has jumped right into a multination promotional book junket that she is calling her "farewell tour" because she doesn't foresee herself participating in another large publicity push, or writing another complex novel, again.

"I'm never doing another long complicated project that takes years to finish," Blume says. "Partly because I think I've said what I think I want to say, but also I'm 77. I don't want to spend the next five years [on a book]. I think it's time for me and my husband to have fun. Not that either of us are retiring. We both sit here and work all day, but it will be something different." | K.H. |

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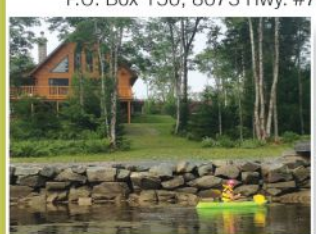

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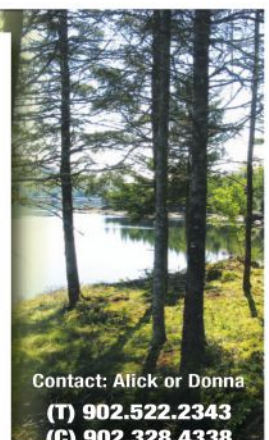

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Summer Fun In Eastern CT

The northeast portion of the state may have to be renamed the Not-So-Quiet Corner, at least for the month of June. Almost a summer's worth of awesome festivities in Windham, Tolland and New London counties will take place over the next month alone. Here are just some of the highlights:

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A Mother's Mission

ONE MYSTIC MOTHER IS TRYING TO RAISE AWARENESS OF A COMMON VIRUS THAT CAN HAVE DEVASTATING CONSEQUENCES FOR PREGNANT WOMEN.

BY ERIK OFGANG

Lisa Saunders' quest to raise awareness began with a dream, a bad one.

In the dream, the Mystic mom was at a support group for the mothers of children with the congenital form of cytomegalovirus, which is a common and all-too-often overlooked condition that when contracted by pregnant women can produce lifelong, sometimes fatal, disabilities in their offspring. The moms in the dream were angry they had not been told about this virus—which in most cases can be prevented by simple precautionary measures—and they went around the room sharing stories of how they only recently learned about it. When they asked Saunders how she found out about it, she was consumed by a mixture of guilt and embarrassment.

"I've known for 16 years," she said sheepishly. All the parents looked at her and asked a question that would haunt her long after she woke up: "How come you didn't tell us?""

Saunders' daughter, Elizabeth, was born shortly before Christmas in December 1989. As soon as she laid eyes on her child for the first time, Saunders was worried. "I knew she was in trouble when I saw her—her skull was very narrow and doctors initially thought she didn't have a brain, but they did a CT scan and she did have a brain but it was filled with calcium deposits and holes," recalls Saunders. Ultimately, doctors tested Elizabeth for congenital cytomegalovirus and confirmed she had the disease and that it had caused the calcium deposits. Saunders and her husband Jim were told their daughter would never be able to roll over, sit up, talk or feed herself.

Perhaps most heartbreaking of all, as Saunders learned more about the condition, she discovered it probably could have been prevented.

"Cytomegalovirus, or CMV, is the most common virus most people have never heard of," says Dr. Gail J. Demmler Harrison. She works at the Congenital CMV Disease Research, Clinic & Registry, at the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Texas, and knows Saunders through their mutual CMV awareness efforts. Harrison explains, "It is not unusual or rare to be infected with CMV; it is very common. However, the timing of CMV infection is important."

If a child or adult gets the virus it is generally harmless. "It is a 'stealth virus' and commonly infects us without any symptoms," Harrison says. "Yet it can devastate the vulnerable fetus and newborn. Pregnant women should avoid being infected with CMV for the first time during their pregnancy because it can be

transmitted to their unborn baby, and sometimes this infection of the unborn baby can have devastating effects and may even be fatal."

The effects of congenital CMV are not always as severe as what Elizabeth suffered, but they can often be life-altering. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the condition, in conjunction with other health problems, can cause lack of coordination, seizures and vision loss, and is a leading cause of hearing loss in children.

About 1 in every 750 children in the U.S. is born with or develops permanent problems due to congenital CMV infection. This translates to more than 5,000 children being born each year who suffer permanent problems caused by CMV infection.

The good news is that the chances of contracting the disease during pregnancy can easily be dramatically lowered. "CMV infection during pregnancy is avoidable and preventable with an ounce of CMV awareness and three simple hygienic precautions," Harrison says. "Do not kiss infants and toddlers on the mouth or cheek, do not share food or drink or tooth brushes with toddlers, and wash your hands carefully after changing diapers and wiping toddlers' noses and faces."

Before Elizabeth's birth, Saunders was living in Maryland and ran a small licensed daycare. She also had another daughter, Jackie, who was born a few years before Elizabeth. As Saunders learned more about the virus, she came to believe she likely contracted the virus from one of the small children in her daycare center. Like those mourning mothers in her dream, she wondered why nobody told her about CMV, why nobody warned her to be more careful.

Elizabeth had a difficult life.

She required constant care and was beset by chronic seizures that grew worse as she grew older. Her parents "had terrible medical decisions to make all the time," as they were forced to decide whether to have Elizabeth undergo dangerous and invasive procedures that doctors said could *possibly* help her. But she was also at times a happy child with her long, brown hair, big blue eyes and a beautiful smile that her mother describes as "soul-capturing."

During the winter of 2006, less than two months after her 16th birthday, Elizabeth died of a seizure. She weighed just 50 pounds at the time of her death.

Prior to that moment, Saunders had been too busy taking care of her daughter to work on CMV awareness, or keep up with the latest information on what pregnant women were being told about the risks associated with the virus. "I was just trying to keep her alive," recalls Saunders.

As she mourned her daughter's death, Saunders began researching the disease on the Internet. She remembers believing that awareness of the risks of the virus had likely increased in the years since her daughter was born. It hadn't, and Saunders was shocked. "I was like, 'Oh my gosh, women are not being warned. They're *still* not being warned. It's not standard practice of care.'"

Then, she had that haunting dream.

Ever since, Saunders has been dedicated to telling everyone she can about the condition and how it can be prevented. She does this through her online writings, her book *Anything But A Dog!: The Perfect Pet For A Girl With Congenital CMV (cytomegalovirus)*, publicity appearances and through work with Connecticut politicians on legislation. She has testified before Connecticut policy makers in support of a bill that would require hospitals to test children for cytomegalovirus if they fail their hearing screen (more can be done to halt the negative effects of the virus if it's discovered early). In late April, the bill was approved by the state's Public Health Committee and Saunders anticipated the Connecticut House of Representatives would soon vote on it.

"I would like to see education be mandatory by the health department," Saunders says. "I want to see, before you get the licensing for a daycare center, that you realize this is a virus that you need to be aware of. I'd like there to be information for mothers dropping their children off as most mothers are going to catch it from their own child, especially if the child is in daycare. They'll know that 'I should not kiss my toddler around the mouth, or share a cookie with him when I'm trying to become pregnant or am pregnant.'"

Ultimately her goal is to make sure no one else has to unnecessarily go through what her and her child did. "I just can't tell you what we parents feel like when we learn that there is actually something that our doctors didn't warn us about," she says. "It's a tragedy that doesn't need to happen."

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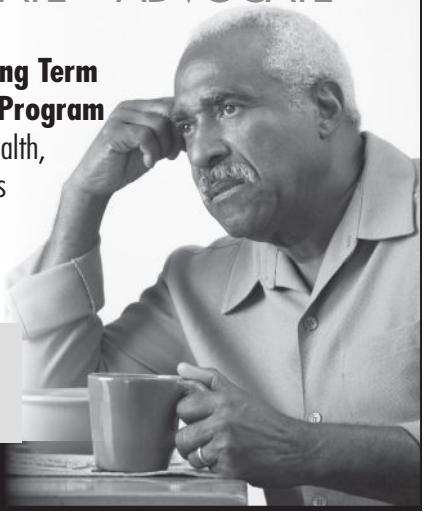

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The Parisot Boy

SEVEN YEARS AFTER A TRAGIC DEATH AND THE END OF A LONG COURT PROCESS, QUESTIONS STILL LINGER.

Nick Parisot in 2008

There are two kinds of anguish only a parent can know and dread. One is learning that your child has died, all dreams of the future extinguished. The other kind is learning that your child is responsible for another child's death, any hopes for a normal life subverted. How long would you wait for justice to be served for your child? How far would you go to avoid punishment for yours?

By this time, the details of Nicholas Parisot's death in June of 2008 are imprinted on the psyches of most residents of Wilton, an affluent but still relatively small, semi-rural town in Fairfield County, and familiar to many readers. On June 13 that year, a day after graduating from middle school, the 13-year-old rode his Honda 110 cc dirt bike on a trail through the woods as he'd done since he was seven and as his father, Rick, had done since he was a boy.

The trail runs through hundreds of acres of water company property once owned by a longtime family friend, who had granted the Parisots riding rights, and passes five feet at one point from Nick's grandmother's land before going downhill and across the Comstock Brook to a path leading to her house on Hillbrook Road. On the other side of the trail, in an almost direct line from the Parisot property, a wooded hill rises to the first of newer houses on Hickory Hill Road.

That Friday, Nick had ridden to visit his father, a metal sculptor, who was working on Millbrook Farm at the north end of the trail. An hour later, Ben Dickenson, a classmate who often rode with Nick and had gone looking for him, found the Honda—upside down to one side of the trail—but no sign of his friend.

Crossing the brook, Dickenson came upon Nick on a path near the bottom of the property, face up and unconscious, and started screaming. At his mother's house by this time, Rick Parisot ran out and tried reviving his son even as he knew it was futile: The boy was bleeding from the ears, nose and mouth; a blue mark across his neck was lengthening and turning blue. When the ambulance arrived, Rick lifted his son onto a stretcher and rode with him to Norwalk Hospital, where he was pronounced dead. The cause of death was neck trauma, with injuries to his shoulders consistent with rope burns.

What had happened, Wilton police quickly determined, was that Nick Parisot had struck a nylon rope strung near neck level between two trees during the short interval of time between leaving his father and heading back on the trail to meet his friend. Although there were no witnesses, one suspect quickly emerged: 11-year-old John "Tully" Knight, who lived on Hickory Hill Road, adjacent to the woods and trail.

And therein lies another anguishing part of the story. For the past seven years, balanced against the Parisots' desperate need to understand why and how their son died, has been the state's mandate to protect a minor perhaps not fully capable of understanding the consequences of his actions. Added to the equation were the Knights' attempts to protect their son—and themselves—from those very consequences.

Regardless, the balance was tipped in Stamford Superior Court on April 17 of this year when, as part of a resolution of a wrongful death civil suit filed by the Parisots in 2009, Tully Knight admitted for the first time that he was responsible for Nick Parisot's death. The Knights—who settled the potential multimillion-dollar suit for a little over $500,000, the bulk of it from a homeowners' insurance policy—also agreed to make public previously sealed documents relating to the earlier criminal trial of their young son along with police investigations and warrants dating back seven years. It is believed to be the first time in Connecticut that juvenile proceedings have been released.

The facts of the case are now disturbingly clear. But more revealing are the reasons it took Wilton detectives so long to arrest the Knight boy. And though not found in any document, what's troubling is the impact of the tragedy on both families and the unlikelihood that anything resembling real resolution has been achieved or perhaps ever will be.

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Forewarnings and Obstructions

By all accounts and measures, Nicholas Parisot was a beautiful boy in the bloom of youth—15 days away from turning fourteen, just shy of six feet tall—well liked, even beloved, an outdoor boy who was close to his family and particularly close to his father, with whom he rode.

"He and his Dad were closer than most kids I've ever seen with their fathers," says Alex Mirabile, 20, a middle-school friend of the younger Parisot's.

Tully Knight moved to Wilton in 2002 with his mother, Barbara, a corporate executive; his father, Glenn, a stay-at-home dad; and two older brothers. Tully was small, blond and pale, a loner by some accounts and, at 11, already winding a troubled path through the neighborhood. According to the Wilton police investigation, a number of parents had stopped letting their children play with him. (One former friend in that category wrote that Tully would break things, then deny the act or blame his friends. "He had a dark side," the boy noted, adding that Tully "liked to watch scary movies and once asked for and got a Chucky Doll—the serial-killing doll from the 'Child's Play' movie franchise—for Christmas.")

For some reason, Knight appears to have grown resentful of dirt-bikers using the trail below his house. After booby-trapping the trail for several weeks, on Wednesday, June 11, he and Sam Bell, a fellow fifth-grader, escalated the situation by taking a nylon rope from the Knights' deck and stringing it between two trees. When no dirt bike rider came through that day, they untied it from the one tree but left it dangling from the other. Two days later, Tully went back to the trail alone, tied the rope to the trees again, and waited.

The most damning information to come from the unsealed police documents, however, is how parents who possessed potentially critical information about the homicide refused to cooperate with the investigation.

When detectives Chris Isidro and Scott Sear returned to the Knight home on June 21 to interview Tully, Glenn and Barbara Knight gave false and conflicting accounts of their son's whereabouts at the time of the incident, as had Tully earlier. What's more, although Detective Isidro tried to assure the parents that the incident may well have been accidental rather than malicious—perhaps a ploy but also a potential out—Glenn Knight replied that, regardless, they would have to protect themselves against any possible civil liability. The couple refused to allow a statement to be taken and hired Bridgeport attorney Kevin Murphy to represent them. On November 5, 2009, and again on January 11, 2011, they filed for protective orders to keep Tully from being interviewed.

Other adults in the community were uncooperative as well. While Sam Bell appeared to be innocent of the actual crime, his parents called the Wilton police station before detectives had a chance to contact them and refused to let their son be interviewed. Over the next two years they would submit, through an attorney, numerous drafts of a written statement.

In a sense, the State of Connecticut also delayed the case. Despite testimony by the detectives and evidence linking rope taken from the Knight residence to strands left on the trail containing Nick Parisot's DNA, State Prosecutor David Cohen rejected the Wilton police department's request for an arrest warrant, claiming insufficient evidence.

As the third anniversary of Nicholas Parisot's death approached without an arrest, his mother, Kate Throckmorton, wrote a letter to the *Wilton Bulletin* blaming certain parents for "stonewalling" the investigation and imploring the community for help.

Wilton residents quickly formed "Stand Up for Nick" in support of the Parisots (the documents from the civil case are posted on the group's site, standupfornick.org). Around the same time, Wilton Police Chief Michael Lombardo held a press conference during

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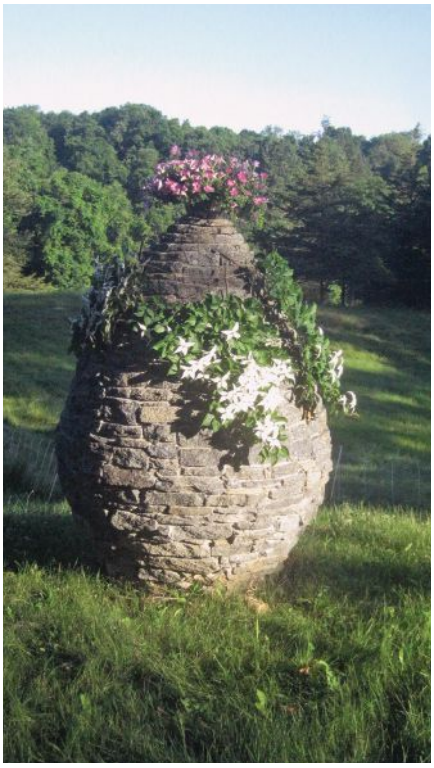

Memorial cairn for Nick Parisot

which he expressed disappointment "with the lack of cooperation by some" families.

On March 2, 2010, reportedly a day before the second protective order was to lapse, the Knights moved from Wilton to Placentia, Calif., 96 miles north of the Mexican border. A year later, the Bells moved to Redding and enrolled their son in private school.

Reenactments

If the Knights and Bells could move on, the Parisots couldn't.

On a blustery day years after his son's death, Rick Parisot led this writer to the back of his mother's house, then on river rocks across Comstock Brook and onto the riding trail. It was a route he had taken, and a tour he had given, many times since 2008.

After pointing out the stumps of the two trees used to string the rope—trees cut down and taken by police as evidence—he crouched behind a large oak where he believes Tully Knight waited for his son to pass. Back on his mother's property, he re-enacted how he had found Nick: Lying down just off the path, he placed his son's cellphone next to him on the grass, as he said it had been placed, then folded his hands on his chest. (The phone, which Rick Parisot uses, still contains his son's voice message, though the father has never listened to it.)

As he got up, he kneeled next to the spot and said, as if to the air, "He was the sweetest, kindest boy. How this could have happened?"

Both Throckmorton and Parisot became obsessed with the case, staging a silent protest

on the anniversary of their son's death outside the country club to which the Knights belonged and keeping tabs on the family. But it was another incident that fueled Rick Parisot's particular obsession.

Four weeks after Nick's death, he was driving slowly around the neighborhoods surrounding the woods, trying to come to grips with his loss, when he claimed he turned a corner and saw Tully Knight standing by the side of the road. As he passed, Tully looked him in the eye and, mimicking the homicide, yanked an imaginary rope. Parisot said he continued driving, knowing that if he stopped all would be lost. When he finally turned around and drove back, Tully was gone.

An End of Sorts

Meanwhile, Wilton police had been biding their time while the Knight family settled into the new community.

In August of 2012, Detective Isidro flew to Placentia and spent a month gathering evidence from teenagers who had gotten to know Tully Knight. One by one—four in all—they told of Tully confessing to them that he had hurt or killed a boy back in Connecticut. A month later, Isidro was joined by Detective Kip Tennant, and armed with a warrant, arrested Tully as he returned home from school. Extradited to Connecticut, he spent six weeks incarcerated in Bridgeport before moving into a rented house in Westport with his father.

On October 29, 2014, in a courtroom closed to the public, Knight pleaded guilty to criminally negligent homicide under the Alford Doctrine, which allows a guilty plea while maintaining innocence, and was given three years' probation.

Then this April, after months of mediation, the civil suit was finally settled. After Knight, now 18, admitted responsibility in Nick Parisot's death, it was Rick Parisot's turn to speak.

In a voice constricted by emotion and suppressed rage, he said, "Your Honor, on Friday the 13th, June 2008, Nicholas Parisot lost his life to a premeditated, deliberate, intentional and malicious homicide. He was murdered. I believe that Tully Knight is a murderer, a pathological liar, he is mentally ill and he is a danger to society. I believe that it is only a matter of time before he acts out again, possibly like Sandy Hook, Columbine or countless other violent tragedies. The State of Connecticut should be monitoring him for the rest of his life. If he acts out again the State of Connecticut Juvenile Justice system should be made accountable for his actions."

Judge Terrence Zemaitis struggled to find words of consolation. "The loss of your son is immeasurable, it's beyond my comprehension," he said. "I hope you can find some peace."

That may not be possible. "It's over legally," says Kate Throckmorton, "but if you talk to any parent who has lost a child, it's never over, no matter how many years pass. Not a day goes by when I don't think of him." Her husband agrees. "Nothing's over," he says. "It's still what it is. I'm just very disappointed in the justice system in which, because Tully Knight was a juvenile, they literally let him get away with murder. That's what I have to live with."

As for the Knights, if they had regrets or remorse, they didn't express it. Through their defense attorney, they've declined to speak.

The only other statement Tully Knight is believed to have made came on the plane ride back to Connecticut with the Wilton detectives. "He said, 'The only mistake I made was talking to you guys,'" recalls Tennant, a 35-year-veteran of the Wilton police force and the father of three, including a son, 13. "Does that sound like remorse?"

And if there is hope for the Knight family, it probably won't be found in another state. Shortly after their son's arrest, they moved again, this time to North Carolina, where the events from seven years ago in Connecticut are likely to follow.

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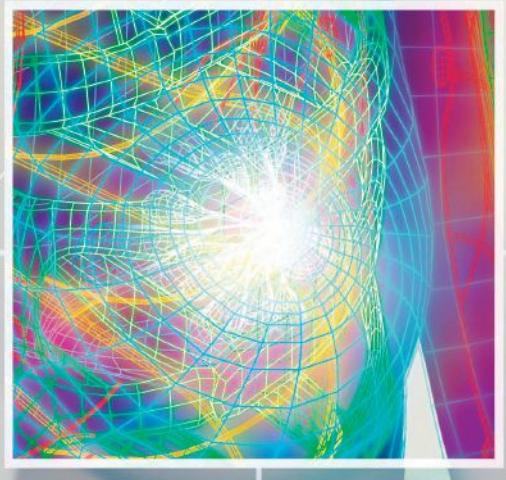

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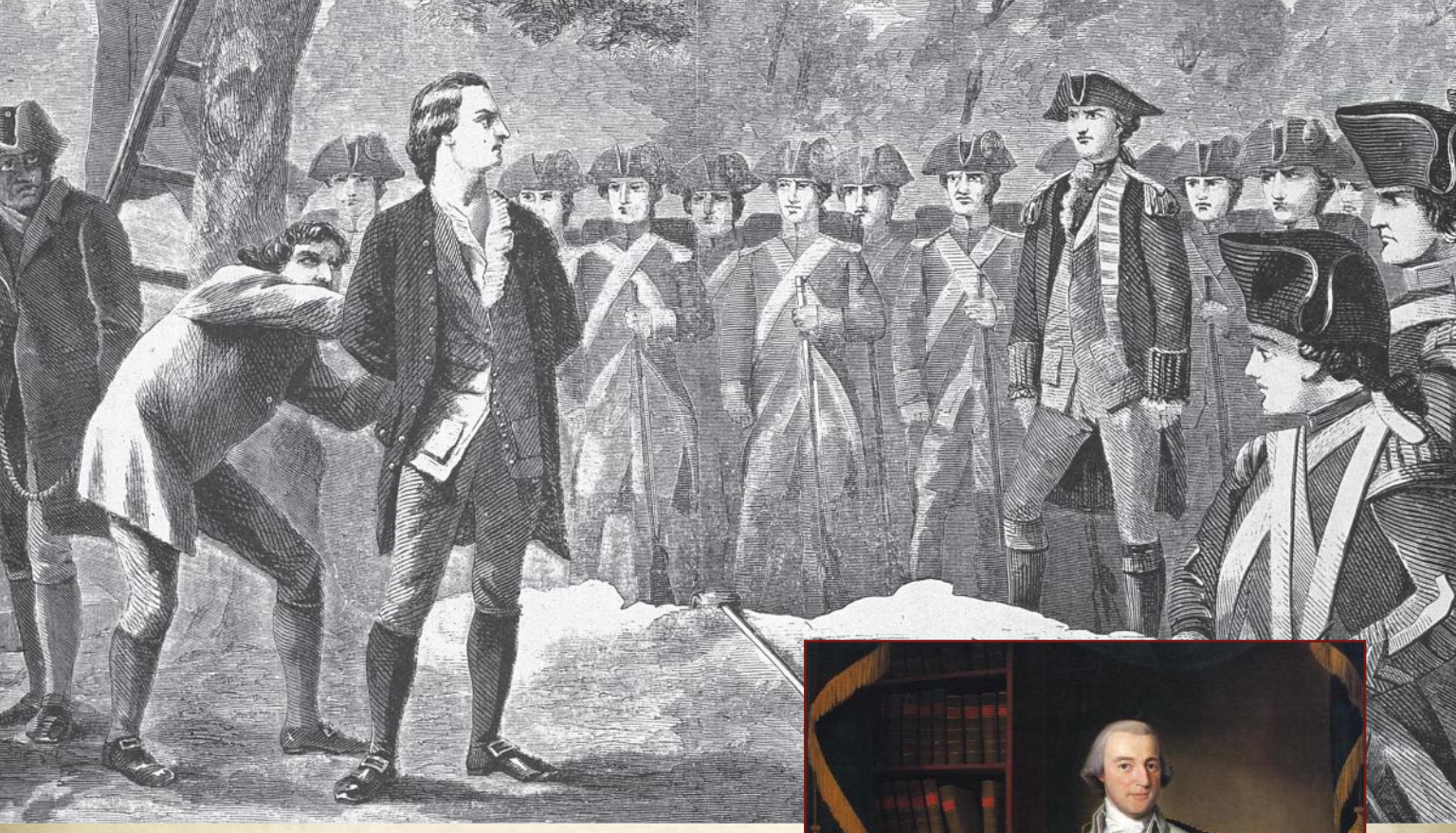

(top) The execution of Nathan Hale.
(inset) Benjamin Tallmadge, leader of the Culper Ring, with his son William in a 1790 portrait by Ralph Earl.

REVOLUTIONARY ESPIONAGE: *The First Spies*

Espionage in Connecticut is as old as the state itself, starting with the American Revolution and of course, state hero Nathan Hale.

A 21-year-old schoolteacher from Coventry, Hale joined the Continental Army as a first lieutenant following the outbreak of hostilities, was soon promoted to captain, and in September 1776, volunteered for an intelligence-gathering mission behind enemy lines in the British stronghold of New York. Sent to report on troop movements, he was captured, identified as a spy and sentenced to death. Before he was hanged, Hale purportedly uttered, "I only regret that I have but one life to give for my country." Although his mission only lasted a short time, Hale made a huge impact on a young nation.

Hale was far from the only Connecticut spy during the revolution. Benjamin Tallmadge was a 1773 Yale graduate (and classmate of Hale) as well as a teacher in Wethersfield before also joining the Continental Army. He rose to the rank of major of the 2nd Continental Light Dragoons, and in 1778, was selected by Gen. George Washington to be his chief intelligence officer and head up fledgling covert information-gathering operations. Tallmadge recruited his childhood friends from Long Island as spies, creating The Culper Spy Ring—a story that has recently been dramatized in AMC's "TURN." (Culper was the alias for Long Island farmer and fellow ring member Abraham Woodhull.)

In addition to leading Washington's spy efforts in and around New York and Connecticut, Tallmadge also played a key role in helping to expose the treachery of Norwich native Benedict Arnold. Immediately after the capture of British spy Major John André in October 1780, Tallmadge suspected that the high-ranking Arnold was André's accomplice. He persuaded Continental Army Colonel John Jameson that rather than hand over documents recovered from André's boot to his superior officer—who happened to be Arnold—to instead send all the evidence directly to Washington. Tallmadge's actions helped to expose Arnold and the plot to surrender West Point to the British. Unfortunately, Arnold was able to elude capture and make his escape.

Another Connecticut member of the Culper spy ring was Caleb Brewster. Originally born on Long Island, he moved to the Black Rock section of Bridgeport after the fighting began. He ostensibly commanded a fleet of whaleboats but was heavily involved in smuggling to help support the Revolution. Tasked with disrupting enemy shipping, he also ferried military intelligence across the Sound from Long Island to Fairfield, where he would deliver it to Tallmadge, who would then pass it along to Washington.

In addition to helping foil Arnold's scheme, the Culper Spy Ring's efforts provided critical intelligence during its six-year existence, including key information that helped thwart a planned 1780 surprise attack by the British on a newly arrived French army in Rhode Island. The Culper Spy Ring was also remarkable in that its existence and secrets weren't fully discovered until the 1930s, more than 150 years after its operations ceased—the ultimate success for any spy operation.

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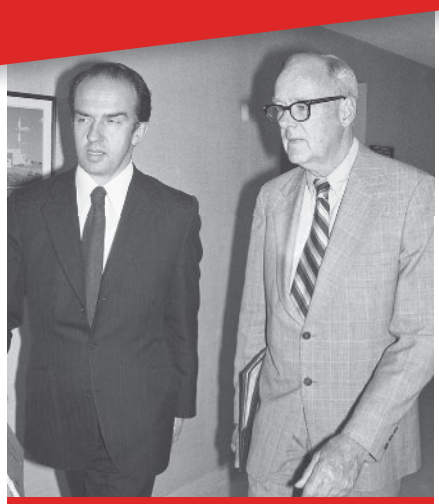
THE MAYOR OF AREA 51



(left) The U-2 spy plane; (above) Richard Bissell, right, arrives to testify before the Senate Intelligence Agency in 1975 regarding alleged CIA assassination plots.

In the winter of 1955, high-ranking CIA official Richard Bissell Jr. was piloted over the arid Nevada desert in a small, unmarked plane.

On direct orders from President Dwight D. Eisenhower, Bissell, a native of Connecticut and a Yale University alum who would later retire to Farmington, was searching for a location where the CIA could build a secret test facility. His destination that day was a dry lake bed in southern Nevada, 75 miles north of Las Vegas, called Groom Lake; it had served as an emergency landing strip during World War II.

When the plane landed at the site, Bissell and company concluded that the flat, hardened 4,687-square-mile parcel, hidden by mountains in the north and southwest, was ideal. The area would become notorious as Area 51.

"Richard Bissell was the single most important individual responsible for setting up the secret base," says Annie Jacobsen, author of *Area 51: An Uncensored History of America's Top Secret Military Base*. "A number of people I spoke with said Bissell was most definitely the de facto Mayor of Area 51."

Area 51 had been established to test the CIA's cutting-edge spy plane, the U-2—a high-tech aerial reconnaissance craft the U.S. hoped to use to assess the Soviet Union's nuclear capabilities. Bissell was charged with heading up the program and was integral to its success. In the process, Bissell may also have unwittingly created a UFO sighting frenzy that continues to this day.

"[The U-2] would hit this extraordinary height and up there with the sun shining and reflecting from its very long wings, it looked almost like a [fiery] cross and that did result in all these UFO sightings," Jacobsen says. In fact, last year the CIA Twitter account tweeted a 1998 report that revealed more than half the reported UFO sightings in the 1950s and '60s could be traced directly to U-2 flights that were secret at the time.

Bissell was tall—over 6'2"— and thin, with a passion for walking, whether it be on the streets of Washington D.C., where he worked for the CIA or the trails around Farmington. Bissell was also smart; his youngest child, Tom, who is in his fifties and lives in West Hartford, says his father's "mind was so quick and so adept at learning things and memorizing things that it was hard to keep up with."

Bissell's oldest son Richard Bissell III, who lives in Bangor, Me., and is in his seventies, recalls that when family lived in Washington, his father would travel often. In their home there was a phone line connected directly to the CIA—Richard and his siblings were told not to go near it or answer it.

Richard remembers that phone ringing around the time of the failed Bay of Pigs Invasion in Cuba. "We were all having supper and he got a phone call, and when he came back from speaking on the phone, he was upset," Richard says. He would later learn his father was one of those involved with planning the failed operation.

However, Jacobsen believes Bissell has borne too much of the blame for the fiasco. "In my interpretation, many high-ranking agency officials were involved in the Bay of Pigs, and certainly the President's White House staff was," she says. "I believe that one individual needed to fall on the sword and that was Richard Bissell."

In 1962, Bissell retired from the CIA and moved back to Connecticut. He worked for a time for United Technologies, and died in 1994 at the age of 84.

Sixty years after Bissell took that first surveying trip to Groom Lake, Area 51 continues to fascinate the public and what happens there is still a closely guarded secret. Being a son of the man most responsible for the creation of Area 51, Tom Bissell can't help but smile at some of the alien conspiracy and other theories that whirl around the site. "I do roll my eyes a bit about some of that," he says. "To me anyhow, it's not that fascinating or conspiratorial, or anything like that. It is just a secret testing site, that's all it is. It doesn't represent anything fantastic."

John Downey meets with then-Vice President George H.W. Bush in 1983; the former spy had been invited back to China by a Chinese Council promoting foreign friendship.

Imagine being 22 years old, deployed on your first mission for the Central Intelligence Agency, and having your plane shot out of the sky over a hostile enemy country. That was John "Jack" Downey's reality back in 1952. Just one year after graduating from Yale University, Downey joined the CIA and soon found himself, along with fellow operative Richard Fecteau and pilots Robert Snoddy and Norman Schwartz, flying over China (a North Korean ally) to retrieve an anti-communist Chinese agent.

Downey and Fecteau survived the crash and were captured by the Chinese government. It was two years before they saw each other again and their existence was confirmed to the public, who had previously thought they had been killed. The pair were put on trial, convicted of spying and given a life sentence in prison.

In 1972, Downey was released when President Richard Nixon made his historic visit to China and revealed the details of their CIA mission, which had previously been kept secret and had been a point of contention. (Fecteau had been released in 1971.)

Downey's life had an impressive second act. After gaining his freedom, the New Haven resident earned a law degree from Harvard University and went on to be a Connecticut Superior Court judge, being named chief administrative judge for juvenile matters from 1990 to 1997. He left an indelible mark on the state's juvenile justice system, including the introduction of mediation into the process of terminating parental rights, and he led discussions on reforms to raise the age at which teens are tried as adults.

The former prisoner of war was entered into the Connecticut Hall of Fame and awarded the Distinguished Intelligence Cross, the highest honor for valor, from the CIA in 2013. Downey passed away in November 2014.

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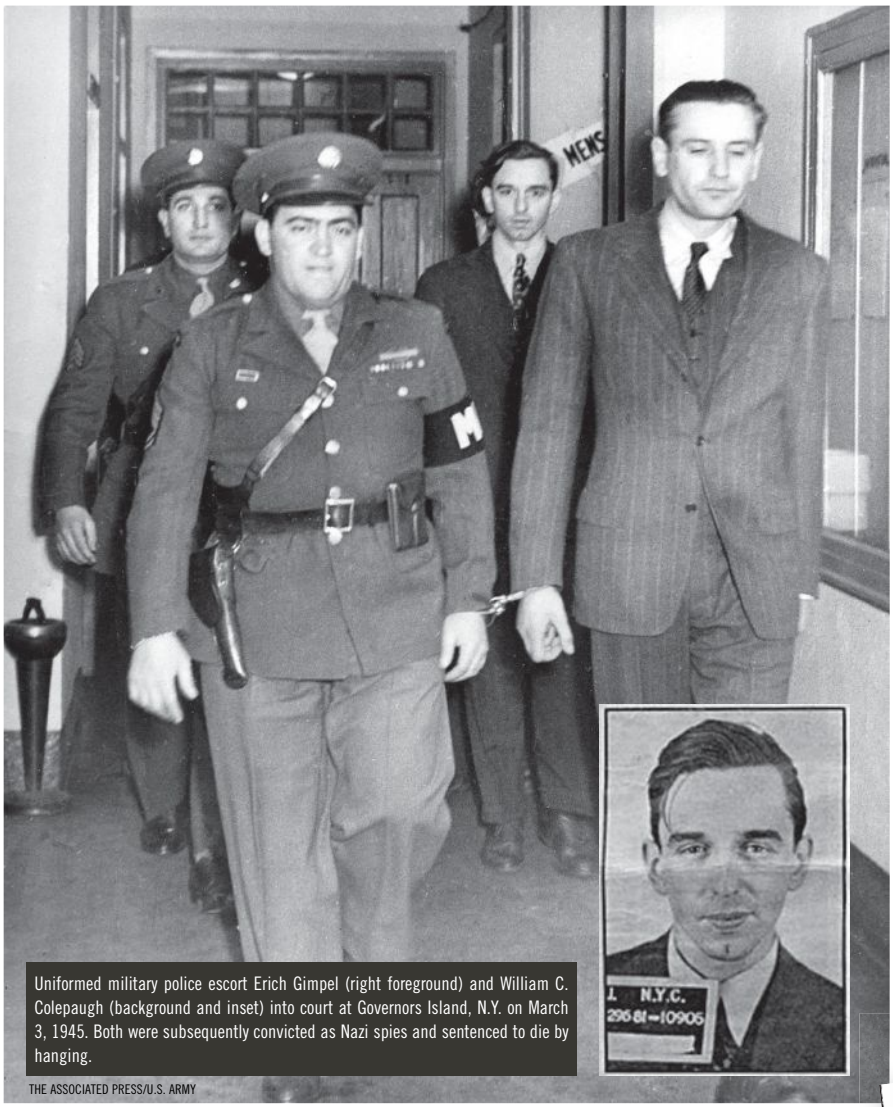

Uniformed military police escort Erich Gimpel (right foreground) and William C. Colepaugh (background and inset) into court at Governors Island, N.Y. on March 3, 1945. Both were subsequently convicted as Nazi spies and sentenced to die by hanging.

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THE SPY WHO WASN'T

One of the more curious spies in state history is William Colepaugh, although to label him a full-fledged spy may be too generous.

A Niantic native, Colepaugh became fascinated with the Nazi cause during World War II and, in early 1944, made his way to Portugal, where he connected with the German consulate and offered himself as a spy. He was subsequently trained by the Germans in espionage techniques and given a mission to return to the U.S. to collect intelligence on American military equipment production.

In November 1944, Colepaugh and a German partner were deposited by U-boat on the Maine coast with false IDs, weapons, cameras, diamonds and cash. The pair made their way to New York City, where they initiated an operation probably not approved by the Nazis: spending their money on fine food and wine and "interrogating" friendly women! After blowing through $1,500, Colepaugh gave up on (or partied away?) his mission and surrendered himself to the FBI on December 26, 1944; his partner was apprehended a few days later.

Colepaugh was sentenced to death, which was commuted by President Harry Truman to life imprisonment and eventually only served 30 years. He was released in 1960, settled in Pennsylvania and lived there—with no other apparent spying attempts—until he died in 2005.

IF YOU CAN'T BEAT THEM...

If politics make for strange bedfellows, then espionage makes for downright bizarre ones. In the aftermath of World War II, the CIA and other U.S. agencies made what many now consider a deal with the devil by recruiting at least a thousand former Nazis as Cold War spies and informants.

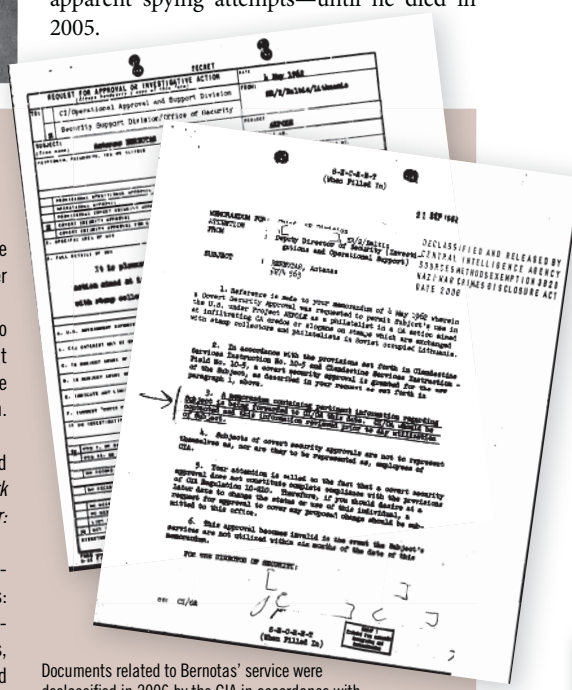
Among them was Antanas Bernotas, a native of Lithuania, who settled in Waterbury after the war and was assigned by the CIA to study Soviet-bloc postage stamps for hidden meanings.

In 1983, deportation proceedings were brought against Bernotas by the Department of Justice at the Immigration Court in Hartford. It was alleged he served as a guard in a Jewish ghetto in the city of Siauliai from 1941 to 1945 during the Nazi occupation of Lithuania, and that during that time he assaulted Jews and selected some for execution. He was also accused of arresting and beating anti-Nazis and members of the underground, and of illegally gaining entrance to the U.S. in 1949 by falsely claiming he had been a teacher in Lithuania.

In 1989, the case was settled; Bernotas agreed to deportation, designating Germany as the recipient country. However, because he was in ill health, the U.S. agreed not to carry out the order of deportation. He died in 1998.

Bernotas' story and those of the other Nazis recruited by the U.S. as spies was unearthed thanks to *New York Times* writer Eric Lichtblau's book *The Nazis Next Door: How America Became a Safe Haven for Hitler's Men.*

Beyond the moral ambiguity of the program, it suffered from chronic ineffectiveness. As Lichtblau writes: "Many Nazi spies proved inept or worse, declassified security reviews show. Some were deemed habitual liars, confidence men or embezzlers, and a few even turned out to be Soviet double agents, the records show."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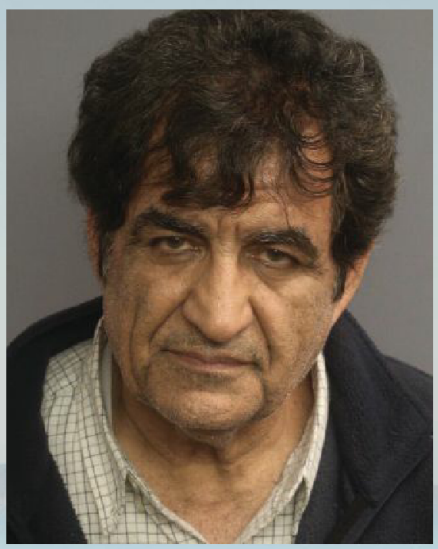
Information on the Air Force's F-35, part of the Joint Strike Fighter program, was stolen by Mozzafar Khazaee (below).



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THE IRANIAN CONNECTION

Mozaffar Khazaee was heading overseas.

It was Jan. 9, 2014, and Khazaee, a native of Iran who became a U.S. citizen in 1991, had just flown from Indianapolis to Newark Liberty International Airport in New Jersey. The former Connecticut resident and Pratt & Whitney employee was scheduled to board a connecting flight to Frankfurt, Germany, and then take another connecting flight to Tehran, Iran.

In his carry-on bag, Khazaee had $59,945 in cash and, according to Federal prosecutors, he had previously tried to ship to Iran thousands of sensitive documents—including proprietary blueprints, diagrams and technical manuals concerning military engines—stolen from Pratt & Whitney and two other defense contractors. Contained among it all was information related to the U.S. military's Joint Strike Fighter program, a multibillion, multinational elite military fighter jet project.

In October 2013, Khazaee sent the documents in boxes labeled "Household Goods" from his apartment to Long Beach, Calif., where they were loaded onto the *NYK Libra*, a container ship bound for Iran. The shipment was headed to Khazaee's brother-in-law, Mohammad Payendah, in Hamadan, Iran.

That November, customs agents inspected the shipment and found the stolen documents. Subsequent investigations led to Khazaee's January 2014 arrest at the Newark Airport.

On February 25 of this year, Khazaee pleaded guilty in U.S. District Court in Hartford to violating the Arms Export Control Act. He faces up to 20 years in prison and $1 million in fines, but there is a good chance his sentence will be reduced. According to the *Hartford Courant*, during court proceedings, U.S. Attorney Stephen B. Reynolds said that sentencing guidelines point to about five years in jail. As of press time, Khazaee's sentencing had not been finalized.

As sensational as the case may sound, it is not the only instance of military espionage in Connecticut over the past 18 months. Last November, Yu Long, a scientist who worked at United Technology's East Hartford research center, was arrested and charged with attempting to travel to China with sensitive proprietary documents that set forth detailed equations and test results used in the development of technologically advanced titanium for U.S. military aircraft.

HOSTING ESPIONAGE

"Passing Secrets at Sea, to Terrorists, No Less" is the headline of a 2008 FBI news story on a case of espionage tied to Connecticut by a website hosting connection.

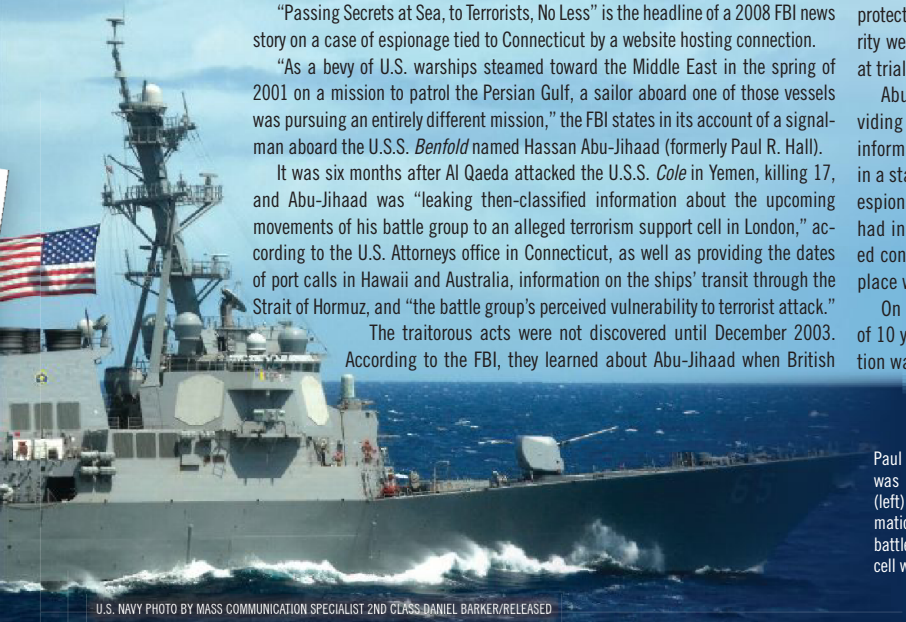
"As a bevy of U.S. warships steamed toward the Middle East in the spring of 2001 on a mission to patrol the Persian Gulf, a sailor aboard one of those vessels was pursuing an entirely different mission," the FBI states in its account of a signalman aboard the U.S.S. *Benfold* named Hassan Abu-Jihaad (formerly Paul R. Hall).

It was six months after Al Qaeda attacked the U.S.S. *Cole* in Yemen, killing 17, and Abu-Jihaad was "leaking then-classified information about the upcoming movements of his battle group to an alleged terrorism support cell in London," according to the U.S. Attorneys office in Connecticut, as well as providing the dates of port calls in Hawaii and Australia, information on the ships' transit through the Strait of Hormuz, and "the battle group's perceived vulnerability to terrorist attack."

The traitorous acts were not discovered until December 2003. According to the FBI, they learned about Abu-Jihaad when British authorities raided the apartment of Babar Ahmad, a Briton later charged with raising money for al Qaeda. In Ahmad's flat was a floppy disk with a password-protected document detailing classified information about the travels and security weaknesses of the U.S.S. *Benfold* and the sister ships in its convoy, which at trial was proven to have been sent by Abu-Jihaad while aboard the *Benfold*.

Abu-Jihaad was arrested in March 2007, and a year later convicted of providing material support of terrorism, as well as disclosing national defense information to persons not entitled to receive it. The U.S. Attorneys office said in a statement: "After extensive post-trial briefing, the district court upheld the espionage count, finding the evidence sufficient to conclude that the defendant had in fact leaked the classified information." However, the material-support ed conviction was set aside because of wording in the version of a statute in place when the offense occurred.

On April 3, 2009, a judge sentenced Abu-Jihaad to the statutory maximum of 10 years in prison. There was an appeal, and in December 2010 the conviction was upheld.



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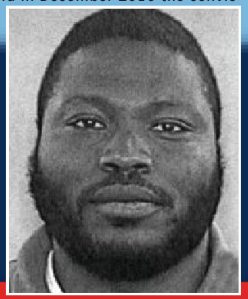


Paul R. Hall, a.k.a. Hassan Abu-Jihaad, (right) was a signalman aboard the U.S.S. *Benfold* (left) when he began leaking classified information about the upcoming movements of his battle group to an alleged terrorism-support cell whose website was hosted in Connecticut.

EYES IN THE SKY

They met at night at a CIA safe house in Washington D.C.

It was the spring of 1966 and a team of senior employees from Perkin-Elmer, a Connecticut-based aerospace company, were proposing a classified spy satellite design to the CIA at the agency's request.

Phil Pressel (born in Belgium and a survivor of the Holocaust in France before coming to America) was a mechanical engineer who was charged with designing the stereo cameras for the proposed satellite. The satellite was so complicated and sophisticated that he and many others on the program harbored doubts about its feasibility. After seeing initial plans for the satellite the previous year, he recalled thinking, "It's so complicated, who knows if we'll ever succeed."

After all, what Pressel and his coworkers were proposing was revolutionary. There had been earlier spy satellites, Corona and Gambit, but the proposed Perkin-Elmer one would dwarf its predecessors in complexity and, it was hoped, effectiveness. Whereas Corona carried 20 to 80 pounds of film, the new satellite would carry about 2,400 pounds. A single frame of film would cover 370 nautical miles (about the distance between Washington, D.C., and Cincinnati) providing detailed images of objects at a resolution of 2 to 3 feet, from an altitude of 90 miles. The film would then be sent back to Earth via reentry vehicles that would parachute over the Pacific Ocean, where C-130 planes would scoop them out of the air.

The program was dubbed the Hexagon KH-9 satellite and to produce it, Perkin-Elmer built a new facility in Danbury, the same one where it would later develop the Hubble Space Telescope.

Pressel and others on the project had to strike the word "hexagon" from their vocabularies for more than 45 years. "You could never use words like 'film,' 'camera' and many other major parts of the system outside the building or on the phone," he says. Instead there were code names for major parts. The satellite itself was called "the system," film was called "material," and the CIA and Air Force officials were known as "the customer."

KH-9 Hexagon satellite vehicle assembly going vertical.

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE

At its height, more than 1,000 employees worked on the project. None broke the code of silence.

Between 1971 and 1986, 19 satellites were launched. The program provided crucial Cold War intelligence, including close-range images of Soviet missile sites and air and submarine bases.

In 2011, the Hexagon program was declassified and those, like Pressel, who had toiled on the project, were finally able to share their successes. Pressel even wrote a book about the project, *Meeting the Challenge*. "[Today's satellites, which transmit images digitally] are more complicated electronically but there are many fewer mechanical parts that can jam, run dry, etc." he says. "Hexagon is still considered the most complicated system ever put up in orbit, period."

The X-37B Orbital Test Vehicle in the encapsulation cell at the Astrotech facility in Titusville, Fla.

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

In October, the unmanned spacecraft landed on runway 12 at Vandenberg Air Force Base in California after nearly two years orbiting Earth on a clandestine Pentagon mission.

It is called the X-37B Orbital Test Vehicle and has been dubbed a "space drone." Although, the craft's orbit is closely watched by satellite observers, and its takeoffs and landings are announced by the Air Force, what it did on its most recent 675-day voyage and what it will do on its fourth mystery mission, scheduled to launch on May 20 from Florida's Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, is cloaked in secrecy.

What is known is: the Air Force owns two X-37B space planes; that each craft looks like a miniature version of NASA's space shuttle; that like the shuttle, it is shot into orbit via an external rocket but lands on a runway like a plane; and that it was built by Boeing's Phantom Works Division, with a space-flight actuation system—which helps the craft land without a pilot—designed and manufactured by the Danbury-based, UTC Aerospace Systems. Beyond all that, details are murky.

A spokesperson for UTC Aerospace confirms the company was "still supporting Boeing" but would not provide any information beyond what was contained in a 2012 press release. (Owned by United Technologies, UTC Aerospace purchased the company that was once Perkin-Elmer and has a long history of classified aerospace work.)

Sharon Weinberger, a fellow at the Wilson Center in Washington, D.C., who has written about the X-37B and is the author of a forthcoming book on the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, says there are a variety of theories as to X-37B's mission. "I think the leading and most credible theory is that it is being used for reconnaissance—in plain language: spying on different regions of the Earth," she says. "This is not surprising as the Defense Department operates many classified imaging satellites with a variety of capabilities. Another theory is that it is an anti-satellite weapon, which I find unlikely. The wilder—and even less likely theory—is that it is a space bomber. This is highly unlikely since there are far easier ways to launch weapons at a target than sending a bomber into space."

The Air Force maintains that the X-37B is used to test new technologies and delivery of experimental payloads. This, however, does not rule out continued speculation that the craft is also used for reconnaissance.

200 YEARS OF INNOVATION

In its 200-plus year history, Fort Trumbull in New London has witnessed a lot.

During the Revolutionary War, the fort was captured by Benedict Arnold and saw the Fort Griswold Massacre across the Thames River in Groton that was also made possible by Arnold's treachery. In the 1800s, it was rebuilt in an impressive Egyptian Revival style of architecture, and during the early 1900s, after it had outlived its use as a military fortification, became the site of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. But, during World War II, it served a far different purpose.

In 1941, Fort Trumbull served as the location for Columbia University's Division of War Research, an important sonar research center that, along with the Underwater Sound Laboratory in Cambridge, Mass., would evolve into the Naval Underwater Sound Laboratory. Work at the facility helped in understanding the behavior of underwater sound and resulted in sonar technology that proved crucial to tracking German U-boats. Breakthroughs at Fort Trumbull included the development of a sonobuoy, a portable sonar system that could be dropped from an airplane, record underwater sounds and then transmit those sounds to human analysts who could distinguish U-Boat movements from the natural noise of the ocean.

During the Cold War, the lab developed important missile- and underwater-tracking devices, often working closely with the Naval Submarine Base and Electric Boat shipyard across the river in Groton. In 1970, the Sound Lab was combined with the Naval Underwater Weapons Research and Engineering Station in Newport. It was shuttered in 1996 after all reconnaissance activities were moved to Newport.

Classic SUMMER FUN

The lazy, hazy, fun-filled days of summer are here again—so let's celebrate with dozens of great places to visit and things to do!

Brownstone Exploration & Discovery Park

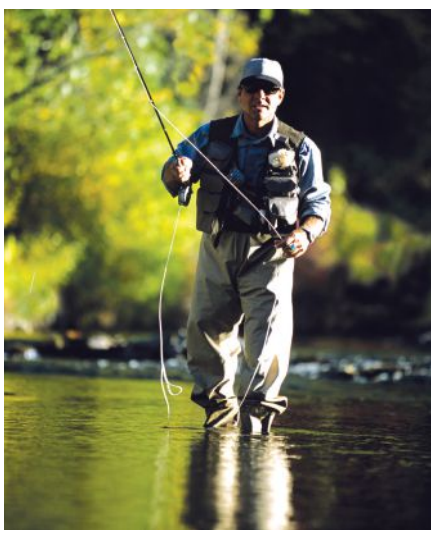
OUR OWN BACKYARD

The jewels of Connecticut's natural treasure chest are the more than 90 state parks and 30 state forests. Found in every corner of the state, there are rivers, lakes, beaches, meadows, marshes, mountains and waterfalls just waiting to be enjoyed.

With that diversity comes an amazing array of recreational opportunities.

For beach lovers, there are four state parks on Long Island Sound: Hammonasset Beach (Madison), Silver Sands (Milford), Rocky Neck (East Lyme) and Sherwood Island (Westport).

If you enjoy hiking, almost every park and forest has trails, with some of the most popular being at Sleeping Giant (Hamden), Mt. Riga (Salisbury), Bigelow Hollow (Union) and Talcott Mountain (Bloomfield).



Looking to hook the big one? Nearly every state park offers fishing. Seasoned anglers love Bluff Point (Groton) and Fort Trumbull (New London) as well as the waterways in Peoples (Barkhamsted) and Salmon River (Colchester) state forests.

Stay and make a day—and night or two—of it at camping-friendly destinations like Kettletown (Southbury), Lake Waramaug (New Preston), Mashamoquet Brook (Pomfret) or Housatonic Meadows (Sherman). Camping with horses is welcome at Natchaug (Eastford) and Pachaug (Voluntown) state forests.

Serious mountain-bikers head for Penwood (Bloomfield) or Collis P. Huntington (Redding) state parks, or Cockaponset State Forest (Killingworth).

The state park and forest system also offer opportunities for water sports, bird watching, geocaching and much more.

(860) 424-3000, ct.gov/deep

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FAVORITES

Traveler's Championship ■ Every summer the best golfers in the world come to Cromwell's TPC River Highlands to compete in the Travelers Championship. Sergio Garcia, Brandt Snedeker, Hunter Mahan, Bubba Watson, Jason Day and reigning champion Kevin Streelman are just six of the top-ranked pros scheduled to take part in this year's tournament June 22-28. *(860) 502-6800, travelerschampionship.com*

Connecticut Open ■ In addition to the best pro women players on the WTA tour, the Connecticut Open will again bring together some of tennis' greatest legends at the Connecticut Tennis Center at Yale on August 27-28. James Blake will challenge Andy Roddick on Thursday and then John McEnroe and Jim Courier will battle the following day. *(203) 776-7331, ctopen.org*

International Festival of Arts and Ideas ■ For 15 days, the theaters and open spaces of New Haven will be commandeered as part of the International Festival of Arts & Ideas. More than 80 percent of the performances, lectures and conversations taking place from June 12-27 are free. Highlights include a performance by singer Darlene Love and Kurt Elling with the New Haven Symphony Orchestra. *(888) 278-4332, artidea.org*

Gathering of the Vibes ■ The "best beach party on the planet" will bring together some exciting musical acts at Bridgeport's Seaside Park July 30-August 2. The lineup for this laid-back festival is set to include Weezer, Gregg Allman and the Preservation Hall Jazz Band. *(203) 908-3030, gatheringofthevibes.com*

Riverfest ■ The City of Hartford invites you to help celebrate Independence Day by gathering along the banks of the Connecticut River for Riverfest on July 11. A big day of live music, amusement rides, kids' activities and food will culminate with an Americana-themed fireworks display by Atlas PyroVision. *(860) 713-3131, riverfront.org*

Sailfest ■ Family-friendly entertainment will fill downtown New London on July 10-12 for Sailfest. Each year, more than 300,000 music fans come out over the three-day street festival that includes musical performances in genres ranging from rock to Celtic. Enjoy hundreds of vendors and the fourth-largest fireworks display in the Northeast. *(860) 444-1879, sailfestnl.org*

Theater ■ Whether it is the classics of William Shakespeare or modern-day musicals, experiencing theater, particularly al fresco, is a great summertime activity. Luckily. options abound.

Elm Shakespeare brings *Twelfth Night* Aug. 20 through Sept. 6 to New Haven's stately Edgerton Park as part of its Shakespeare in the Park's 20th season. *(203) 874-0801, elmshakespeare.org*

Shakespeare on the Sound also celebrates its 20th season, but with the Bard's subtle comedy *All's Well That Ends Well* in Pinkney Park, Norwalk, June 11-18. *(203) 299-1300, shakespeareonthesound.org*

Musicals at Richter in Danbury celebrates 30 years of outdoor theater with three fun productions throughout the summer, *Once Upon a Mattress*, *Hairspray* and Irving Berlin's *Annie Get Your Gun*. *(203) 748-6873, musicalsatrichter.org*

Sailfest

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International Festival of Arts & Ideas

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CT Repertory Theatre's Nutmeg Summer Series stages *Les Miserables*, *Peter Pan* and *Xanadu* at UConn in Storrs this summer. The first two productions will star Broadway legend Terrence Mann. *(860) 486-2113, crt.uconn.edu*

The Gary – The Olivia Theatre in Bethlehem welcomes two popular productions by the esteemed Clay & Wattles Theater Company this summer: *The Trip to Bountiful* and *Man of La Mancha*. *(203) 273-5669, thegarytheolivia.com*

Shakespeare on the Shoreline, produced by the Shoreline Arts Alliance, puts on a production of *The Comedy of Errors* this August on the Guilford Green. *(203) 453-3890, shorelinearts.org*

Greater Hartford Shakespeare Festival presents *Romeo and Juliet* for three weekends through July and August on the grounds of the University of Saint Joseph in West Hartford as part of the Capital Classics Theatre Company's 25th anniversary season. *(860) 218-0300, capitalclassics.org*

Travelers Championship

FAMILY DESTINATIONS

CONNECTICUT SCIENCE CENTER

CT Science Center

Mystic Aquarium In addition to staying cool with the beluga whales, sea lions and penguins—as well as the vast assortment of exotic undersea creatures—experience *Exploration Wild*, a new family-friendly exhibit that allows visitors to "tour Earth's most captivating habitats." Learn about rainforests, wetlands, deserts, open oceans and the arctic through vivid images, interactive activities and more. *(860) 572-5955, mysticaquarium.org*

Maritime Aquarium at Norwalk Featuring live creatures that are indigenous to Long Island Sound—from seals and sharks to jellies and lobsters—the aquarium also includes special events and exhibits such as "Flutter Zone," where you can walk among butterflies. *(203) 852-0700, maritimeaquarium.org*

CT Science Center Just because it's summer vacation doesn't mean the learning has to stop! With more than 150 hands-on activities, a 3-D digital theater, daily programs and visiting exhibitions—such as *Extreme Dinosaurs*, which features 22 animatronic dinos, fossils and skeletons—kids can't help but learn as they have fun. *(860) 724-3623, ctsciencecenter.org*

New England Air Museum Celebrating the history of flight, the museum features more than 90 authentic aircraft—some of which you can climb aboard during "Open Cockpit" days—in addition to other historical objects, flight simulators and aviation equipment. During the weekend of July 11-12, the museum hosts a Vietnam War 50th anniversary commemoration that will honor both veterans and those who did not return; guest speakers, special displays and a performance by the U.S. Coast Guard Band are scheduled. *(860) 623-3305, neam.org*

Mystic Seaport In addition to exploring the *Charles W. Morgan*, the last wooden whaleship in the world, visitors can learn about the region's maritime history through live demonstrations, interactive exhibits and hands-on activities. For more nautical fun, June 11-14 is the 36th annual Sea Music Festival, featuring the best of international sea music and chanteys. *(860) 572-0711, mysticseaport.org*

Mansfield Drive-In Enjoy a fun throwback to summers—and movie deals—gone by. A double feature every night, viewed from the comfort of your own car! Or bring a blanket or lawn chairs and sit out under the stars. All movies are also first-run, and there's almost always a family-friendly option. *(860) 423-4441, mansfielddrivein.com*

BATTERS UP Connecticut sports three minor-league baseball operations, all of which offer special events, family activities and great opportunities to root, root, root for the home team.

- Bridgeport Bluefish: Independent-league team that plays at the Ballpark at Harbor Yard. *(203) 210-BLUE, bridgeportbluefish.com*
- New Britain Rock Cats: AA affiliate of the Colorado Rockies that plays at New Britain Stadium. *(860) 224-8383, rockcats.com*
- Connecticut Tigers: Class A short-season affiliate of the Detroit Tigers that plays at Dodd Stadium, Norwich. *(860) 887-8972, cttigers.comv*

MUSIC

Mystic Blues Festival

From jazz to classical and blues to blue grass, Connecticut's summer music scene is rockin' and rollin'.

Litchfield Jazz Festival, Goshen ■ Connecticut's premier jazz event will celebrate its 20th anniversary Aug. 7-9 at the Goshen Fairgrounds. Highlights include Anat Cohen Quartet (Aug. 7), Mike Stern (Aug. 8) and Les Paul's Trio Featuring Nicki Parrott and Bucky Pizzarelli (Aug. 9). *(860) 361-6285, litchfieldjazzfest.com*

Music Mountain, Falls Village (Canaan) ■ The Music Mountain festival season includes a 16-concert Chamber Music series and a series of jazz, big band and country concerts held on Saturday nights. Performances include Calidore String Quartet (June 21), Peter Serkin and Julia Hsu (July 12) and The Galvanized Jazz Band (Aug. 15). *(860) 824-7126, musicmountain.org*

Norfolk Chamber Music Festival ■ This year's program includes performances by The Brentano Quartet, who will serve as the festival's resident ensemble (Aug. 16), and Simon Carrington's chorus and the Norfolk Festival Orchestra (Aug. 22). *(860) 542-3000, norfolk.yale.edu*

Mystic Blues Festival, Mystic ■ Catch the blues June 26-28 at this festival featuring performances from blues men and women including Jay Stollman with Debbie Davis (June 27) and Green Tea (June 26). *mysticbluesfestival.com*

Podunk Bluegrass Music Festival, Hebron ■ As it celebrates its 19th year, this festival welcomes regional and national bluegrass talent. Performers include Chris Jones and the Night Drivers (Aug. 7) and the Blue Canyon Boys (Aug. 8). *podunkbluegrass.com*

Ives Concert Park, Danbury ■ This beautiful outdoor concert venue will host several events including the Westside Reggae Festival (Aug. 8), Beatles Music Festival (Aug. 15) and CT On Tap beer fest (Sept. 12). *(203) 837-9226, ivesconcertpark.com*

Empower Leadership & Sports Adventure Center

OUTDOOR FUN

HIKING Despite its relative small size, Connecticut offers more than 750 miles of well-maintained trails (including a stretch of the Appalachian Trail) covering mountain ridges, forest tracks, rolling fields and sandy beaches. Nearly every state park and forest offers multiple trails, ranging from expert hikes to casual jaunts. *ctwoodlands.org*

RAIL TRAILS & GREENWAYS State residents continue to take advantage of converted railway paths for walking, hiking, biking and running, which has led to more of these inviting, generally flat and traffic-free multiuse trails to be created. A few of the most popular ones are the 50-mile Air Line State Park trail that cuts across the Quiet Corner from Putnam to East Hampton and the Farmington Canal Heritage Trail that winds north from New Haven.

GOLF COURSES Connecticut is home to more than 100 public golf courses, from links-style gems to municipal operations that regularly show up on national lists of great places to play. Some have been designed by the most acclaimed golf architects, including Robert Trent Jones, Gary Player, Arnold Palmer, Donald Ross, Pete Dye and Rees Jones, resulting in plenty of challenges for any avid golfer or weekend duffer. *ctgolfer.com*

FISHING With its ample access to Long Island Sound as well as dozens of rivers and lakes, Connecticut is an angler's paradise, one of a few states that offers both saltwater and freshwater fishing. Whether it's bass or bluefish, pike or trout, there's a special spot you can find to cast your line and bring in a big one—favorites include Bantam and Candlewood lakes, the Farmington, Connecticut and Quinnipiac rivers and of course, the Sound.

ZIPPING ALONG There was a time that when you gave a kid a long string, they might make a tin-can phone line out of it; today, they clip on a carabineer and zip along it! Here are a few places for exciting fun:

- **Adventure Park at the Discovery Museum, Bridgeport** Offers 11 zip line "trails" through the trees. *(203) 690-1717, discoveryadventurepark.org*
- **Empower Leadership Sports & Adventure Center, Middletown** Adventures include zip line scavenger hunts and canopy tours. *(860) 638-4754, leadershipsports.com*
- **The Adventure Park at Storrs** Features five separate trails for varying skill levels. *(860) 946-0606, storrsadventurepark.com*
- **Go Ape A.W. Stanley Park, New Britain** Brand-new course includes rope ladders, 40 crossings and a skateboard zip line. *(800) 971-8271, goape.com*

COURTESY OF EMPOWER LEADERSHIP SPORTS

AMUSEMENT, ACTION AND WATER PARKS

Connecticut has plenty of beaches and amusement parks that will let you splash, roar and climb your way through summer.

Lake Compounce, Bristol ■ The oldest continuously operated amusement park in the nation is also home to the state's largest water park. This summer Lake Compounce introduces Dino Expedition, a new prehistoric-themed area featuring a fossil dig and Jurassic pathways through a forest filled with more than a dozen lifelike dinosaurs.
(860) 583-3300, lakecompounce.com

Quassy Amusement Park, Middlebury ■ There is lots happening this year at this beloved attraction. "Frantic," a new ride will spin and flip riders strapped into a giant pendulum. Also new this season will be a kiddie bumper cars course.
(203) 758-2913, quassy.com

Brownstone Exploration & Discovery Park, Portland ■ Climb, swim, jump and board your way to summer fun at this one-of-a kind adventure park that features activities from rock climbing, wakeboarding, cliff jumping and zip lining to scuba diving and snorkeling.
(866) 860-0208, brownstonepark.com

Ocean Beach Park, New London ■ The beautiful sugar-sand beach and glittering waters are only the start of the fun at this classic, 50-arce facility that celebrates its 75th anniversary this summer. It also has an Olympic-size pool, an 18-hole miniature golf course, water slides, spray park, large game room, carousel and other rides.
(860) 447-3031, ocean-beach-park.com

Farmington River Tubing, New Hartford ■ Ready, set, tube! Farmington River Tubing is a company that will let you enjoy the rapids of Farmington River on specially designed tubes during a 2.5-mile ride down the scenic river.
(860) 693-6465, farmingtonrivertubing.com

Lake Compounce

FOOD FESTS

Milford Oyster Festival ■ Sure, the appeal is something like 30,000 oysters and clams, along with other great food, beer and wine, but there's much more, like arts and crafts, a canoe and kayak race and entertainment—last year the featured performer was Bret Michaels of Poison fame. This year's festival is Aug. 15. *(203) 878-5363, milfordoysterfestival.org*

Norwalk Oyster Festival ■ This year's festival taked place Sept. 11, 12 and 13. In addition to the star attraction—oysters—there will be a 65-foot Gondola Ferris Wheel, a Paul Bunyan Lumberjack Show, arts and crafts, games and rides for children, music and lots more. *(203) 838-9444, seaport.org.*

Connecticut Wine Festival ■ By now Connecticut's vineyards and its wine trail are well known. Driving from one destination winery to the next can be fun, but if you want all the pleasure in one place, then the Connecticut Wine Festival is the answer. This year it's July 25 and 26 at the Goshen Fairgrounds. *(860) 677-5467, ctwine.com/wine-festival*

Norwalk Oyster Festival

FOOD

LOBSTER ROLLS & SEAFOOD SHACKS

Hub's Clam Shack, Groton A Facebook post says it: "Fried oysters, whole clams, strips, Stonington scallops, shrimp, clam fritters, fresh fish, calamari, lobster rolls, ice cream, chicken wings and more!" *(860) 446-CLAM*

Sea View Snack Bar, Mystic All of the seafood is caught and delivered fresh daily to this spot that has been family-owned since 1976. Try the Ipswich whole clams served in a toasted hot dog roll. *(860) 245-2553, seaviewsnackbar.com*

Sea Swirl of Mystic "Famous for seafood, chowder, ice cream and more," the Sea Swirl offers a casual clam-shack atmosphere. *(860) 536-3452, seaswirlofmystic.com*

Fred's Shanty, New London Located on the waterfront in New London, Fred's Shanty dishes up "Jumbo Lobster Salad Rolls," fried clams, Stonington scallops and "Famous Long Roessler Hot Dogs." *(860) 447-1301, freds-shanty.com*

Costello's Clam Shack, Noank Enjoy classic seafood dishes—even clam fritters!—here. For younger folks there are hot dogs, grilled cheese and more. *(860) 572-2779, costellosclamshack.com*

The Clam Digger, Manchester Fish, clam strips, clams, crab cakes and hot lobster rolls are cooked to order in four minutes or less. *(860) 432-9888, theclamdiggerct.com*

ROAD FOOD: BURGERS & DOGS

Kamp Dog, New London You can get a hot breakfast here, or "the best grilled hot dogs and burgers with homemade fries and sides" And the way these dogs get dressed up—fancy! *(860) 443-3000, kampdog.com*

Clamp's Hamburger Stand, New Milford Since 1939, this roadside stand on Route 202 has been serving burgers, hot dogs, fried clam strips and more to hungry travelers.

Denmo's Snack & Dairy Bar, Southbury A classic drive-in with picnic tables, window ordering and pickup, plus hot buttery lobster rolls, crab salad sandwiches with sweet potato fries, burgers and ice cream. *(203) 264-4626*

Popey's, Morris Near Bantam Lake, Popey's is an "ice cream shoppe" and more. Burgers and hot dogs are staples of a menu that also features specialty sandwiches and wraps. *(860) 567-0504*

Shady Glen, Manchester The cheeseburger here is something unique—at once gooey and crunchy; four slices of cheese are allowed to roam far beyond the surface of the patty and onto the grill. *(860) 649-4245*

Buster's Drive In, Bristol Flame-broiled burgers, onion rings, clam strips, homemade sodas and 20 varieties of shake have been served at this roadside stand for more than 40 years. *(860) 589-7509, bustersdrivein.com*

Doogie's, Newington This is the place where two-foot hot dogs are slathered with toppings and the "Dare-to-Compare cheeze burgers" can be char-grilled any way. *(860) 666-DOGS, doogieshotdogs.com*

Harry's Place, Colchester This roadside stand in Eastern Connecticut has been serving fans for 94 years. Burgers are thick, juicy and come with more than 15 different toppings. *(860) 537-2410, harrysplace.biz*

Lake Zoar Drive-In, Monroe Located on the shores of Lake Zoar, this beloved burger shack is small in size but big in flavor. Try the legendary Zoar Burger! *(203) 268-8137, lakezoardrivein.com*

Super Duper Weenie, Fairfield Choose from a variety of specialty hot dogs and house-made toppings such as chili, red onion sauce, sauerkraut and hot or sweet relish. *(203) 334-3647, superduperweenie.com*

Blackie's, Cheshire Hot dogs and hamburgers (and potato chips—no French fries) are the main (and only) thing on the menu. *(203) 699-1819*

Glenwood Drive-In, Hamden Hot dogs, lobster rolls, homemade onion rings and burgers are the stars here. *(203) 281-0604, glenwooddrivein.com*

ICE CREAM

You know the scoop, so we won't elaborate too much. Connecticut is dripping with terrific homegrown ice cream shops, some modest and others emporiums with scores of flavors, some charmingly rural and located on farms and others a bit more sophisticated. All are delicious stops on the way to and from other destinations. Here are the essentials on some of our favorites (and we stress some, because just like with pizza, chances are there's a good ice cream shop in almost every Connecticut town).

ARETHUSA FARM, Bantam ▪ George Malkemus and Anthony Yurgaitis of Arethusa Farm are also the top executives of Manolo Blahnik USA. Couture shoes meet couture ice cream here; make sure to get a homemade waffle cone. *(860) 361-6600, arethusafarm.com*

UCONN DAIRY BAR, Storrs ▪ Not only can you watch the ice cream being made at this popular spot on the UConn campus, but it's made with milk from resident cows. Smart cows = delicious ice cream; how's that for a higher-education formula for success? *(860) 486-2634, uconn.edu*

FERRIS ACRES CREAMERY, Newtown ▪ You gotta love an ice cream shop open seven days (even in the chilly spring) until 9 or 10. It means they get it; when you need ice cream, you need it. Ferris Acres is actually a dairy farm, which may explain the friendly, always-there-for-you nature of the operation. *(203) 426-8803, ferrisacrescreamery.com*

BUTTONWOOD FARM ICE CREAM, Griswold ▪ Buttonwood Farm blossoms in July with its fundraiser "Sunflowers for Wishes." Head there in the middle of the month and 14 acres will be ablaze with towering golden blooms. Add tractor-drawn hayrides, and not quite a million flavors and this is a must-go. *(860) 376-4081, buttonwoodfarmicecream.com*

RICH FARM, Oxford ▪ An ice cream destination that Tweets things like "Chunky Jeff is gone...The Nutty Professor is taking over! Chocolate ice cream with coconut and almonds" is worth going out of your way for. A former "Best of Connecticut" winner, Rich Farm makes all its flavors daily on the farm, using only the highest quality ingredients. *(203) 881-1040, richfarmicecream.com*

SWEET CLAUDE'S, Cheshire ▪ You need an ID to get the adult flavors like Bailey's Irish Crème and the seasonal rum raisin, and you need cash (or check)—not credit cards—to pay, and the newest flavors on the block are red velvet cookie and Nutella, all made fresh in-house by the Clasons (Fred, Diane and Matthew). *(203) 272-4237, sweetclaudes.com*

BIG DIPPER ICE CREAM FACTORY, Prospect ▪ Any place that has six flavors alone that feature bananas as a key ingredient has big ambitions, and when it comes to chocolate, that's the first word in the title of no fewer than 15 flavors. The Big Dipper does ice cream in a big way, but all of it homemade in small batches with gourmet ingredients. *(203) 758-3200, bigdipper.com*

MYSTIC DRAWBRIDGE ICE CREAM, Mystic ▪ Mystic Drawbridge Ice Cream, using the finest pure ingredients, continues the tradition started by its founders in the 1800s. It's near Mystic's charming shops, and a few minutes' drive from Mystic Aquarium and Mystic Seaport. *(860) 572-7978, mysticdrawbridgeiccream.com*

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Women in Wealth

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Experienced women wealth managers are positioned to thrive

Consumers looking for someone to help them manage their retirement funds, save for their kids' college education or navigate a major life transition might just feel like they've wandered into a boys' club.

According to data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, only 31 percent of U.S. financial advisors are women. The number of U.S. advisors overall is projected to shrink slightly in the coming years. And starting with the financial downturn of 2008, women began exiting the profession at higher rates than men, primarily because they had relatively less experience than their male counterparts.

But that's not the whole story. Consumer demand for women financial advisors, according to a Pershing study titled "Americans Crave a New Kind of Leader — And Women Are Ready to Deliver," is projected to rise in the coming years. Women entering the financial services professions bring new skills and fresh outlooks to bear on industry challenges.

Low supply, high demand

These cultural and industry shifts translate into opportunities for the women professionals who have already made their mark in the world of wealth management.

While the number of women managing money with financial services firms remains relatively low, many firms have put into place focused recruiting efforts, advisor networks and networking events geared toward women, along with other career development initiatives that encourage women to both enter into financial services professions and to thrive in them.

Equality … and opportunity

Analysts agree, corporate and industry initiatives to hire more women as wealth managers aren't only about equality. They're also simply a smart business practice. Successfully recruiting women into the financial services profession means that firms are tapping into a much broader and deeper pool of talent.

Further, financial institutions are only helped by expanding the base of women in the profession and supporting outstanding women wealth managers. When service professions are monolithic, that can serve as a barrier to entry for attracting new kinds of customers. Here again, diversifying the wealth manager workforce isn't just the right thing to do, it also stands to bring in a more diverse set of potential clients.

Leveraging experience

Looking at the women professionals who have already gained a foothold in the world of wealth management makes an equally compelling point: Those women professionals who have already done the work of gaining financial industry experience, building client relationships and earning standing in the industry find themselves in high demand among both clients and potential employers.

Five Star Professional's Women in Wealth

The following section includes a selection of women wealth managers who stand out in their industry. These women are part of an exclusive group of professionals who have satisfied 10 objective evaluation criteria, including assets under management, five-year client retention rate and have met a minimum service tenure. All of the wealth managers featured here have earned the distinction of being a Five Star Wealth Manager.

For more information on our market-specific research methodology and the annual Five Star award, including disclosure information, please see the text below or go to fivestarprofessional.com.

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REVIEWS, RECIPES, RESTAURANT LISTINGS

Chef Annie Wayte's fresh seasonal fare has helped to breathe new life and light into the White Hart's renovated dining room.

JULIE BIDWELL

The Hart Keeps Beating

BY ELISE MACLAY

AFTER A RENOVATION, AN ABRUPT CLOSING AND NEW OWNERSHIP, THE WHITE HART INN IS BACK.

White Hart Inn ★★★

Salisbury

It took a village to do it but one of Connecticut's wonderful old country inns (many of which have been repurposed or torn down) has survived. Since it opened in 1806, the White Hart Inn in Salisbury has been purveying food, drink and hospitality through thick and thin, in good times and bad, weathering setbacks and even closings. Yet, with a little help from its friends, it has always pulled through—most recently this year when it re-opened after abruptly closing in 2014 less than a month after a $5 million renovation,

Now a rejuvenated White Hart is kicking up its heels thanks to a group of eight investors with local ties and great affection for the old inn. Listed on the deed as "Deer Friends LLC," the new owners (among them Michelin-starred chef Annie Wayte from London; Megan Wilson, an art director at Random House; and Malcolm Gladwell, author of five *New York Times* best sellers) are a creative bunch with like-minded ideas for rekindling the warmth and conviviality of the White Hart when it was a center of village life.

But before I wax too poetic about the beauty of this neck of the woods (shadowy pine groves, sunlit meadows and rolling blue-green hills), I have a confession to make: I love The White Hart.

For many years, David and I made it our base for cross-country skiing, hiking and canoe expeditions, and I have been following its recent history with bated breath. I have heard good things about the new-old inn but it is a dining destination after all, and tasting is believing. So here I am, not as an admirer but as a restaurant critic—let the truffled chips fall where they may.

I see at once that the term "$5 million dollar renovation," with its intimations of opulence, is misleading. The White Hart has never been Tara in Connecticut—no grand staircase, no damask draperies for Scarlett O'Hara to turn into ball gowns. It was, and in its current incarnation, remains a simple country inn, as Yankee-Doodle-Dandy as the Governor's Foot Guard. Spic-and-span, literally fresh as paint and by some trick of Rip Van Winkle magic, young again.

We are seated in the dining room because it is here that chef Annie Wayte makes her own magic with the seasonal bounty of farm and field. (The Pub has other fish to fry.) The dining room menu is as clean as its cuisine. Like haiku, it intrigues as well as informs, highlighting a few tantalizing ingredients rather than listing every grain of pepper as sometimes seems to be the norm.

We are all foodies and we take forever to decide what to order. While we confer, the chef sends out hot-from-the-oven rolls with sweet butter actually churned in the White Hart kitchen and so delicious we go into a collective swoon. Next, a complementary amuse buche arrives in the form of a cutting-board display of chilled sliced Arctic char, brown bread and long, skinny, picture-perfect red-and-white-striped radishes, mild and crunchy. Let the feast begin.

We start with sweet onion soup poured over tangy goat cheese custard topped with frizzled mushrooms, a suave, deceptively simple dynamite interplay of taste and texture. Crispy lamb belly, the starter I like best, sounds a bit off-putting, but it proves to be both delicious and attractive, reminding me of the "pinwheel cookies" I used to make

At right, Annie Wayte with her Chef de Cuisine Paul Pearson. Above, a trademark presentation of halibut decorated with fresh vegetables of the season.

with vanilla and chocolate cookie dough rolled together, sliced and baked into spiral-imprinted cookies. Crispy lamb belly is made much the same way, with lightly slow-cooked lamb rolled, sliced into mignonettes and flash fried. Fluke tartare served with rhubarb, fennel and sliced green almonds shimmers on the plate. But the show-stopper is an egg, potato and truffle "Raviolo."

I am familiar with this star turn that confident chefs like to perform to showcase their expertise, but I let our waiter do the explaining and he does a good job. Sparing the details, the end result is an extra-large raviolo stuffed with potato, truffles and an egg so lightly poached the yolk is still liquid. Can't be done, my skeptic friends opine. But when the raviolo arrives, I pierce its pasta dough wrapper with the tip of a steak knife and golden egg yolk flows out. Voila! Pasta with sauce.

Entrées are equally appealing. Wild salmon arrives perfectly medium-rare adorned with artichokes, black olives, roasted peppers and white bean broth. Porcelet—a tender, juicy, cut of pork, gently braised and served with cheddar-garlic grits and maitaki mushrooms—is richly rewarding. Goat cheese gnocchi with pea pesto, maitaki mushrooms and spring onions are the answer to a hungry vegetarian's dream. Platings are attractive but not gaudy. Wow appeal is in the quality of the ingredients and the brilliance of the cooking. Rib-eye steak, for example, arrives in rosy medium-rare logs cut from the very best portion of the meat, without a hint of gristle or fat. Roast chicken for two, presented whole in all its golden glory, is so gorgeous it encourages fantasy. In mine, I see a long line of chickens auditioning to be chosen. Seemingly unadorned, this chicken tastes as good as it looks. The secret, I discover, is a dusting of minced herbs under the glistening skin.

Desserts are alluringly adult. No do-it-yourself s'mores here.

But no lack of intense flavors, either. The chocolate cake could double for fudge, crème brûlée comes with ginger rhubarb compote, and tangy orange blossom and passion fruit sorbet ends the meal on a high note.

Was everything perfect? Not quite. As the evening wore on and the room filled, the noise level rose to an annoying din. But where does it not when people are having a good time?

In essence, the White Hart dining room, as opposed to the pub, is less like dining in a restaurant and more like having a personal chef—one with an A-list of farm sources and the talent and passion to create an original recipe and presentation for every item on the short-list menu. A house party in the country. Let's go!

White Hart Inn

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Table Talk

BY ELISE MACLAY

Explore the shore where the **Madison Beach Hotel** sails into summer with a brilliant new chef and an exciting new seasonal menu. Executive chef Leo Bushy (with a mile-long curriculum vitae and international experience) is well known in Connecticut where he introduced cutting-edge cuisine to restaurants ranging from the venerable Hartford Club to the newly renovated farm-to-fork restaurant The Willows at the DoubleTree by Hilton Bristol Hotel. Chef Bushy's summer menu at Madison Beach, unveiled at a recent tasting dinner, included gorgeously presented appetizers adorned with edible flowers: local farmed clam fritters with pepper aoli, cream of mushroom bisque with truffle crème fraîche. Heartier but equally pretty entrées like mahi mahi with coconut rice, lime, mango and passion fruit essence were also offered, along with desserts and scones baked in the kitchen. *(203) 350-0014, madisonbeachhotel.com*

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BY ROBERT RABINE

One Dish: Hanger Steak
The Public House, Old Lyme

The Public House in Old Lyme piqued my interest. It's a pub/bar/restaurant that strives to be hip. Replacement surgeries aside, hip is something that remains in short supply along the Connecticut shoreline east of Fairfield County. The mere whiff of something cool sets off a feeding frenzy among foodies that feast like schools of bluefish before moving on.

The Public House is the fourth rendition of the space I first encountered as Sherlock's 222, followed by Boom and then Jessie's Restaurant. Sherlock's was very well regarded and the other two were kind of cool in their own way. The new owners have completely renovated the space and divided it into a barroom and a dining room; stark interiors, earth tones, weathered wood, comfortable booths, pendant lighting. The dining room seemed almost too empty, with booths and tables scattered only around the perimeter because of an overly cautious fire marshal. More seats can be a good thing if the kitchen and floor staff can keep up.

On a second visit we felt more comfortable in the bar at a large booth aptly named "The B.S. Corner." It was busy, but not raucous. The excellent cocktail, wines on tap (au courant) and craft beer list caught my attention. Stella Artois Cidre on tap was crisp and refreshing, and low in alcohol. House margaritas sport a "salt foam float." They were good, but too small for $12. One night I got kicked by a couple of Moscow Mules, made with rhubarb bitters and served in frosty copper mugs. Despite some lingering pain the next day, these were worth the trip alone.

The menu is large, and divided among Specials, Small Plates and Nibbles, and Dinner with Salads, Big Plates and Boards—as in served on a cutting board. Individual paper menus are on a clipboard so you can thumb through and find some interesting things: wild boar spring rolls ($10), pork belly quesadilla ($14), deviled eggs and bacon ($5) or bigger things: patty melt ($13), fish tacos ($14) , tuna Niçoise salad ($16) or even bigger yet: short ribs and polenta ($24), ½ roasted chicken Provençal with potatoes ($18) or grilled hanger steak ($22).

I'll order a hanger steak (a hanging tender in a butcher shop, or an onglet in a brasserie) when I see it for a couple reasons. One is the manly connection between meat and fire and me. The second is to simply poke at the grill man. In my own restaurants I could spend hours watching somebody talented dance all night in front of a 500-degree grill, tossing steaks around seemingly willy-nilly. They weren't of course; it's all carefully orchestrated, each piece moved around the grill from hot spot to cold spot according to its doneness. That skill only comes from endless hours of on-the-job training. Funny, but looking back we would never hire anyone to work the line that didn't have scars on their forearms.

The Public House's grilled hanger steak was bliss, perfectly cooked, its charred-black craggy crust well-seasoned, in perfect contrast to the rich, buttery interior that defines this cut of meat. A grilled scallion is draped lazily over wide medallions served rare and smothered in crispy hand-cut fries. Three brightly colored sauces were laid out before me: emerald green chimichuri, pungent with garlic and herbs; pale yellow beer cheese, rich, creamy and salty from cheddar and ale; dark red pub sauce more like a steak sauce on steroids. Each sauce a great foil for the last. The overall effect was dazzling, like an edible paint-by-numbers set. I wonder if they have my old grill guy?

The Public House is located at 90 Halls Road, Old Lyme. It's open daily (except Tuesdays) 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. *(860) 390-6181, thepublichousect.com.*

BY KATE HARTMAN
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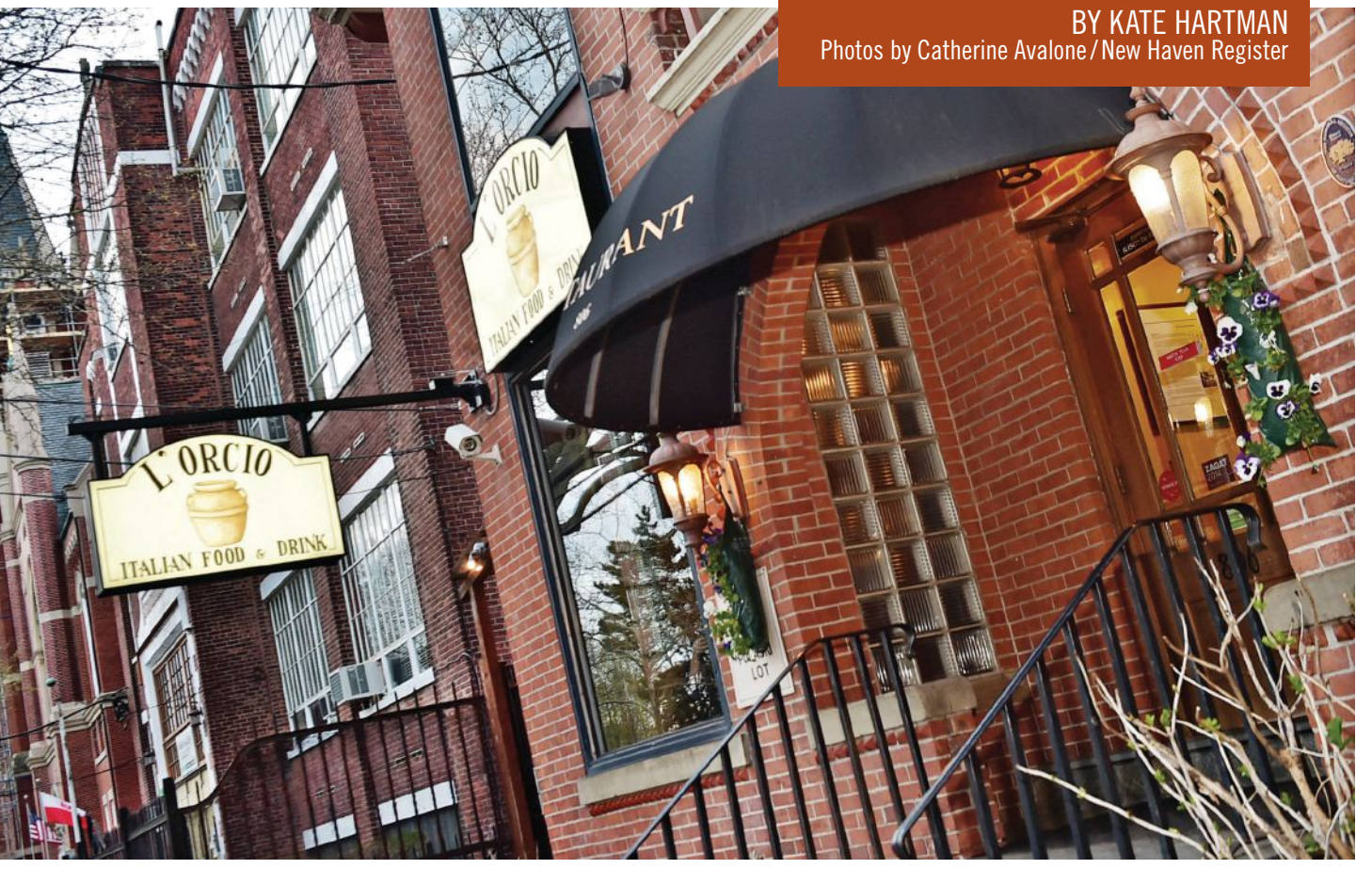

L'Orcio Embraces Romance of Outdoors With Great Italian Food in New Haven

Ascending the front steps and crossing the threshold of L'Orcio has the distinct, comforting feeling of entering a family member's or close friend's home.

In this case, it's the home of Francesco d'Amuri and Alison De Renzi, the husband-and-wife team who moved from Florence, Italy, to Connecticut to open their dream restaurant. While they live in Branford with their children, it is here, their New Haven restaurant, they really call home.

The family-owned and -operated endeavor occupies a historic brick home at 806 State Street. They relied on a partner's recommendation for the location, and saw it for the first time when they picked up the keys over 12 years ago. From the very beginning the pair knew they had something special in the building, and today De Renzi calls it their "greatest asset and greatest challenge."

"Running a restaurant in a house is not easy," she says.

It took months of restoration to prepare the space for their opening in February 2002, but the result is a warm, wood-detailed interior. White-clothed tables fill what was originally the living room and dining room. A stately wooden bar extends along the left side of the room adjacent to two windows that peer out onto the street. At the back, a picture window looks out onto their large patio space, tucked discreetly behind the building and covered with a wooden trellis.

The husband-and-wife team of Alison De Renzi and Francesco d'Amuri (right) imbue the dishes of L'Orcio with the rich spirit of Florence, Italy.

"We wanted the space to be special," says De Renzi. "It's a special restaurant. The food is very approachable. It's humble, real food. The garnish is the steam coming off of it and the fact that it was cooked fresh for you."

De Renzi met her husband while studying abroad in Italy during college. They quickly bonded over food and set out to explore the Italian food landscape together.

"We traveled around the country. The plethora of cuisine is amazing and it's different town to town," says De Renzi. "We wanted to open a restaurant with dishes from all areas of Italian cuisine."

So that's exactly what they did. L'Orcio is an amalgamation of all the Italian dishes the pair loves—ragu, pillow-soft gnocchi, raviolis filled with lobster and pesto and sausage, and a range of dishes with protein as the star like the Branzino served with artichoke hearts and cherry tomatoes or the Agnello Grigliato, grilled New Zealand baby lamb chops with mint.

It's all made in-house using the freshest ingredients. The restaurant sources as much as it can from local purveyors. During the summer they use produce from farmers' markets for the salads. Local cheese is featured on their cheese plate and their bread is baked nearby. A rotation of specials showcases what's fresh and in season, like the sausage and broccoli rabe ravioli featured on a recent visit. (Perhaps the best ravioli I've ever had.)

During the warm months all these delights can be enjoyed al fresco on the restaurant's back patio—a true treasure in New Haven where outdoor dining space is limited and usually relegated to a few tables on a busy sidewalk.

"Outdoor dining has transformed our business," De Renzi says of the patio, which was added about six years ago. "It's very charming for people. When they get back there they say, 'Whoa, this is special.'"

L'Orcio is a place for the whole family. With a range of options at a variety of price points (for example, the New York strip steak is the most expensive item on the menu at just $26), you're sure to please everyone here. It feels like home, and that's the point.

"It's a personal story and we take a lot of pride in what we do," says De Renzi. "[This restaurant] is reflective of when we got to know each other. It's rewarding for us to have people come here and participate in our lives. With it being in a house, the customers are our family."

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Veracious Brewing Opening in Monroe

BY ERIK OFGANG

Webster defines "veracious" as "truthful" and "honest," and good ole' fashioned honesty is at the heart of Veracious Brewing Co., a new brewery in Monroe that plans to open in late May or early June.

The name refers to the brewery's mission to produce honest, well-crafted beers made with top-notch ingredients, explains Tess Szamatulski, who owns the brewery with her husband, Mark. "Veracious is how Mark and I live our lives," she says.

But more than producing merely good, clean, honest ale, the couple wants "to make *great* beer, not just good beer," Mark says.

After visiting and sampling some early test batches of the brewery's beer, I can veraciously say they are on the right track, with great-tasting, approachable brews and an inviting space that seems destined to become a hangout for beer lovers far and wide.

Though this is their first commercial brewing venture, the Szamatulskis are not exactly new to the industry. The couple has owned a Monroe-based home brewing store, Maltose Express, for 24 years. "Mark was an engineer and always wanted to brew beer and I was a caterer who used high-end beers in my cooking," recalls Tess. "So Mark decided to brew beer and I used it in my recipes. He had a difficult time getting supplies so he opened his own home brew supply shop. We started in our basement then went to renting one room in a small building on Route 25 in Monroe."

Over the years that home-brewing supply business grew. The couple moved the business into a larger space, where it became one of the biggest home-brewing and winemaking supply shops in the Northeast. They also co-wrote two books on home brewing, *CloneBrews*, *2nd Edition: Recipes for 200 Brand-Name Beers* and *Beer Captured*.

Veracious Brewing Co. will feature four flagship beers as well as a hearty variety of rotating brews.

Today the sprawling, warehouse-style home brew supply shop is located next door to the brewery site. Because of liquor license rules the businesses have separate entrances, but guests to the brewery will want to pay a visit to the home brew shop.

This wonderland of home brewing has giant pots, kegs, coolers and all manner of brewing and winemaking contraptions and kits, as well as a wide variety of beer glasses and many sought after beer-nerd supplies, like a bar-style sampling flight board, an item I didn't realize I desperately wanted until I saw it on display. The brew shop regularly hosts brewing enthusiasts and already has a friendly, community clubhouse feel that will likely only increase when the brewery opens next door.

Speaking of the brewery, it is equally as impressive as the brew shop. When the Szamatulskis started looking into taproom design for their brewery they decided they didn't want the standard taproom, which can often be more of an afterthought to the brewing space itself, and can have an industrial Costco-with-bar-stools-type feel.

Mark and Tess wanted something warmer and they've created just that at the Veracious taproom—a cozy wood-lined lair, with the inviting comfortable feel of an English pub. The wood used to make the taproom tables and to line the walls of the room was repurposed from church pews from a New Canaan church. The nonuniform wood, which was curved by generations of churchgoers' seating habits, gives the brewery its unique character.

The taproom overlooks the open and brightly colored brewing space, which is where the real magic happens. Veracious will feature four flagship beers—a pale ale, porter, English style session ale and an IPA.

The brewery's rotating beers will include a double red, black IPA, double brown ale and a specialty series known as the LOVE series, which will include five different versions of the same imperial stout, a wit beer, blueberry ale, watermelon ale and two different saisons.

In addition to beer, the brewery taproom will sell wine and offer cold-brew coffee from a nitro tap. One of the latest trends in the coffee world, cold-brew nitro coffee looks like a Guinness when poured in a goblet glass.

During my visit, I sampled test-batch versions of the porter, blueberry ale and IPA. Each was excellent and left me wanting more.

The IPA is not a tongue-ripper IPA but still has a strong hop profile and good hop aroma. The porter is full of unusual flavor and has enough distinctive tastes to set it apart from most other beers brewed in Connecticut. As for the blueberry ale, this is a style that often is done poorly and I groaned inwardly when that was one of the samples offered. However, this is not your standard sugar-rush, so-sweet-it-hurts-your-teeth variety of blueberry beer. Instead of blueberry sweetness, this beer opts for blueberry tartness and, as such, has more of a kriek, almost wine-like quality. It was so good it made me eager to try the brewery's seasonal watermelon beer, which is a sentence I never thought I'd write.

When it opens its doors, Veracious will definitely be a brewery that beer lovers will want to visit and also a place craft-beer newbies will want to try. But brewery newbies be warned, a visit here may lead to catching the craft-beer bug, as well as cultivate an interest in home brewing. I'm a longtime beer drinker but never had any desire to make my own. After seeing all the equipment and being assured by Tess that "if you can boil water you can make beer," I started hatching plans to attend one of the couple's upcoming home brewing classes.

Whether I'll end up actually making beer remains to be seen, but one thing is for certain, I will be drinking more Veracious Brewing Co. beer in the future.

To learn more, see the Facebook page at facebook.com/VeraciousBrewingCompany.

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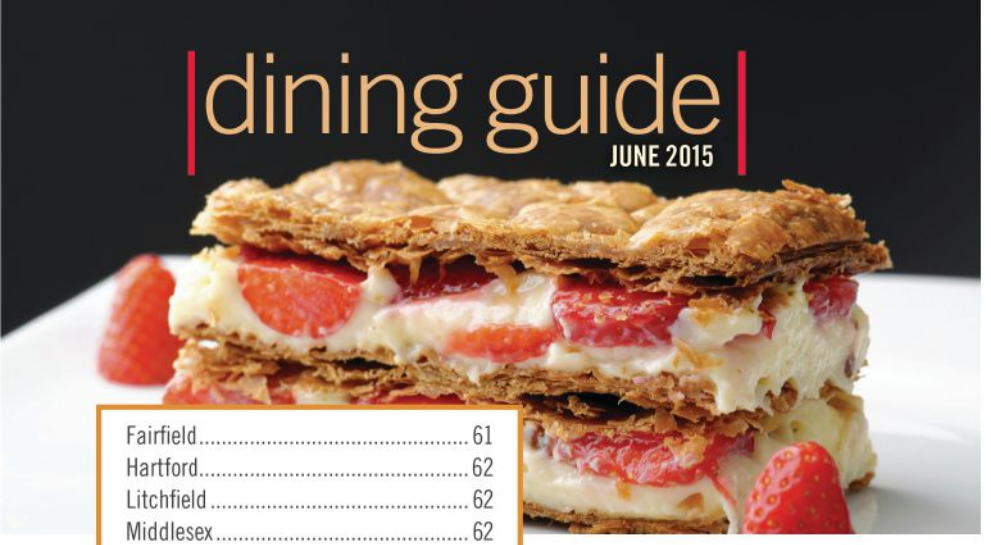

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Artisan • ***New England*** A farm-to-table restaurant with New England-inspired seasonal cuisine. • 275 Old Post Rd., Southport, (203) 259-2800 (artisansouthport.com). Open daily. L D, $$, WA

Bernard's • ***French*** Consistently serving perfectly executed seasonal entrées in an elegant country setting. *Wine Spectator* Award of Excellence. • 20 West La., Ridgefield, (203) 438-8282 (bernardsridgefield.com). Closed Mon. L (Tues.-Sun.) D SB, $$$, E, WA

Bloodroot • ***Vegetarian*** Offers a seasonal menu that might include Vietnamese summer rolls, the Bloodroot burger and Mexican mole. • 85 Ferris St., Bridgeport, (203) 576-9168 (bloodroot.com). Closed Mon. L (Tues., Thurs.-Sat.) D SB, $$, WA

Bobby Q's Bodacious Barbeque & Grill • ***Barbecue*** The real deal: BBQ nachos, baby-back ribs, the brisket Reuben, burnt ends and lots more. • 42 Main St., Westport, (203) 454-7800 (bobbyqsrestaurant.com). Open daily. EL D, $$, E, WA

Brasitas • ***Latin Fusion*** Exciting contemporary Latin Fusion cuisine with traditional accents. • 430 Main Ave., Norwalk, (203) 354-7329; 954 E. Main St., Stamford, (203) 323-3176 (brasitas.com). Open daily. L, D, $$

Dolce Cubano • ***Cuban*** A high-energy good time at this waterfront stunner. On the menu: Havana Buffalo wings, grilled oysters with tequila and sage butter and classic Spanish paella. • 78 Southfield Ave., Westport, (203) 817-0700 (dolcecubano.com). L D SB LS, $$

Elm • ***American*** World-class chef Brian Lewis makes culinary magic here—with the freshest local, top-quality ingredients—in an elegant minimalist environment. And there's a great Sunday brunch. • 73 Elm St., New Canaan, (203) 920-4994 (elmrestaurant.com). Closed Monday. D SB, $$$, WA [★★★ 11/13]

The Fez • ***Moroccan*** In addition to excellent Moroccan fare—with small plates (kabobs, falafel salad) and large (slow-braised lamb shank, swordfish tagine)—The Fez serves up live music nightly. • 227 Summer St., Stamford, (203) 324-3391 (thefez1.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Fri.) D LS, $$

Fin • ***Japanese*** Specializes in fresh, imaginative sushi and authentic Japanese cuisine. • 1253 Post Rd., Fairfield, (203) 255-6788; 219 Main St., Stamford, (203) 359-6688 (fin-sushi.com). Open daily. L D LS, $$, WA

F.I.S.H. • ***Seafood*** This mod-elegant restaurant features a variety of excellently prepared seafood favorites and a special section of the menu that lets you choose your fish and how it's cooked. • 245 Bedford St., Stamford, (203) 724-9300 (fishstamford.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Thurs.) D, $$$, WA [★★★ 7/14]

Frank Pepe Pizzeria Napoletana • ***Pizza*** While world-famous white clam pizza is the standout, just about any pie here is worth the wait. • 238 Commerce Dr., Fairfield, (203) 333-7373; 59 Federal Rd., Danbury, (203) 790-7373 (pepespizzeria.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Fri.) D, $, WA

Gabriele's Italian Steakhouse • ***Italian*** Gabriele's is large and luxe, so are the steaks, which include filet mignon served on the bone, Wagyu and bone-in porterhouse. • 35 Church St., Greenwich, (203) 622-4223 (gabrielesofgreenwich.com). Open daily. D, $$$

Geronimo Tequila Bar & Southwest Grill • ***Southwestern Fusion*** A mix of traditional Native American, Mexican, Spanish and Anglo-American fare, with bold flavors and authentic ingredients. • 2070 Post Rd., Fairfield, (203) 955-1643 (geronimobarandgrill.com). Open daily. L D LS, $$ [★★ 7/13]

The Ginger Man • ***American*** A New England-style tavern with 52 beers on tap (and 80 in bottles), burgers, brick-grilled duck and New York strip. • 64 Greenwich Ave., Greenwich, (203) 861-6400; 99 Washington St., South Norwalk, (203) 354-0163 (gingermangreenwich.com; gingermannorwalk.com). Open daily. L D LS SB, $$, WA

Joseph's Steakhouse • ***American*** Known for a New York-style steakhouse experience with gems such as prime dry-aged beef and its porterhouse steak for two. • 360 Fairfield Ave., Bridgeport, (203) 337-9944 (josephssteakhouse.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Fri.) D, $$$, WA

l'escale • ***French*** A stylish, romantic dining room overlooking Greenwich Harbor that serves superb Provençal cuisine. • 500 Steamboat Rd., Delamar Greenwich Harbor, Greenwich, (203) 661-4600 (lescalerestaurant.com). B L D LS SB, $$, WA

Liana's Trattoria • ***Italian*** Liana DiMeglio's homemade pastas and sauces pack 'em in at this cozy little gem. • 591 Tunxis Hill Rd., Fairfield, (203) 368-1235. Closed Sun.-Mon. D, $$

Little Pub • ***American*** Great food, generous drinks, seasonal menus and a lively pub atmosphere where you'll feel right at home. • 59 Ethan Allen Hwy., Ridgefield, (203) 544-9222 (littlepub.com). Open daily. L D, $$

Market Place • ***American*** Featuring American farm-to-table cuisine with a locally sourced menu. • 33 Mill Plain Rd., Danbury, (203) 616-5836 (marketplacedanbury.com). Open daily. L D LS, $$, WA

Match • ***American*** The farm-fresh, seasonal menu at this upscale SONO restaurant changes daily but always offers something intriguing. • 98 Washington St., South Norwalk, (203) 852-1088 (matchsono.com). Open daily. D L (Wed.-Fri.), $$$

Pink Sumo • ***Sushi*** Sushi and other Japanese specialties are served in a sleek atmosphere along with sake and cocktails. • 4 Church La., Westport, (203) 557-8080 (pinksumoct.com). Open daily L D LS (Fri.-Sat.), $, WA

Pho Vietnam • ***Vietnamese*** A family-owned restaurant serving authentic Vietnamese food with fresh produce, choice meats and seafood. • 56 Padanaram Rd., Danbury, (203) 743-6049 (rivebistro.com). Open daily. L D, $$, WA

Rive Bistro • ***French*** Serves up the classics—steak frites, moules Provençal, croque monsieur, frisée aux lardons and tarte tatin. • 299 Riverside Ave., Westport, (203) 557-8049 (rivebistro.com). Open daily. L D SB, $$, WA [★★★ 7/13]

Tazza Osteria • ***Creative Italian*** Try favorites like grilled octopus, hanger steak, meatballs and brick oven pizza in a modern and trendy atmosphere. • 116 Post Rd., Fairfield, (203) 292-8810 (tazzaosteriabar.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Sat.) D, $$, W

Uberti's Fish Market • ***Seafood*** Specialties include fish-and-chips, stuffed scallops, lobster rolls and deep-fried lobster at this seafood market. • 88 Ferry Blvd., Stratford (203) 377-1429. Open daily. L D, $$, WA

Vespa • ***Italian*** Upscale dining with a frequently changing menu that utilizies local ingredients. • 2 Post Rd., Westport (203) 557-9057, vespawestport.com. D (Mon.-Sun.), $$, WA

Walrus + Carpenter • ***Barbecue*** Sink your teeth into the barbecue offered at this sleek eatery in the Black Rock section of Bridgeport. The customer favorite is the Notorious P.I.G. • 2895 Fairfield Ave., Bridgeport (203) 333-2733 (walruscarpenterct.com). Open daily. L D, $$ WA

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À Vert Brasserie • ***French*** Owned by two chefs who in recent years have been making the Connecticut foodie world sit up and take notice, this restaurant offers beautiful food combined with imagination, perfectionism and zest. • 35 LaSalle Rd., West Hartford, (860) 904-6240 (avertbrasserie.com). Open daily. L D, LS, $$, WA

Barcelona Restaurant & Wine Bar • ***Spanish Mediterranean*** Barcelona's newest location in a popular line of hip, European-style restaurants. • 971 Farmington Ave., West Hartford, (860) 218-2100 (barcelonawinebar.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Sat.) D LS, $$, E, WA

Carbone's Kitchen • ***Italian*** Established in 2012, this casual-dining little brother to Carbone's Ristorante uses fresh and local ingredients to prepare old-school Italian classics. • 6 Wintonbury Mall, Bloomfield, (860) 904-2111 (carboneskitchen.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Fri.) D, $$, WA

Carbone's Ristorante • ***Italian*** This old-school, fine-dining Italian restaurant was established in 1938 and has survived as long as it has for a reason. Dishes include lobster risotto, grilled veal chop and eggplant, chicken and veal parmigiano. • 588 Franklin Ave., Hartford, (860) 296-9646 (carbonesct.com). Closed Sun. L (Mon.-Fri.) D, $$$, WA

Confetti • ***Italian*** Offers Italian American cuisine with a celebratory vibe. Also caters and operates the Big Red Truck food truck. • 393 Farmington Ave., Plainville, (860) 793-8809 (idineconfetti.com). Closed Mon., Tues. D (Wed.-Sun.) SB, $$

Doogie's Hot Dogs • ***American*** Featured on "Man vs. Food" this road-food way station is home to the two-foot hot dog. Other specialties include burgers, fries, seafood and Philly cheese steaks. • 225 Berlin Tpke., Broad St., Newington, (860) 666-DOGS (doogieshotdogs.com). Open daily. L D, $, WA

Firebox • ***New American*** Firebox boasts a seasonal, Connecticut farm-inspired menu including seared Stonington scallops and Connecticut farm-raised lamb. • 539 Broad St., Hartford, (860) 246-1222 (fireboxrestaurant.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Fri.) D, $$, E, WA

First & Last Tavern • ***Italian*** Offers authentic Italian cuisine such as salads, pastas and brick oven pizzas in a casual atmosphere. • 939 Maple Ave., Hartford, (860) 956-6000; (bakery cafe) 920 Maple Ave., Hartford, (860) 956-7000; 26 West Main St., Avon, (860) 626-2000; 220 Main St., Middletown, (860) 347-2220; 32 Cooke St., Plainville, (860) 747-9100 (firstandlasttavern.com). Open daily. L D, $$, WA

Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar • ***American*** A premier destination for prime meats and chops, fresh fish and poultry, with a sophisticated wine list. • Blue Back Square, 44 South Main St., West Hartford, (860) 676-WINE (flemingssteakhouse.com). Open daily. D, $$, WA

Frank Pepe Pizzeria Napoletana • ***Pizza*** While world-famous white clam pizza is the standout, any pie here is worth the wait. • 1148 New Britain Ave., West Hartford, (860) 236-7373; 221 Buckland Hills Dr., Manchester, (860) 644-7333 (pepespizzeria.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Fri.) D, $, WA

Grants Restaurant, Bar & Patisserie • ***Continental*** A West Hartford institution serving inventive dishes like braised lamb shank, pistachio-crusted Idaho trout and chocolate-caramel opera cake. • 977 Farmington Ave., West Hartford, (860) 236-1930 (billygrant.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Sat.) D, $$, WA

Joey Garlic's • ***Italian*** Enjoy New Haven-style brick-oven pizzas, fresh-ground burgers, grinders and pasta in a family-friendly atmosphere. • 150 Kitts La., Newington, (860) 372-4620; 372 Scott Swamp Rd., Farmington, (860) 678-7231; 353 Park Rd., West Hartford, (860) 523-5639 (joeygarlics.com). Open daily. L D, $, WA

Max Fish • ***Seafood*** A lively, upscale fish house serving a daily selection of fresh seafood and great steaks. The Shark Bar is more casual, offering lighter fare and Max classics in an up-tempo environment. • 110 Glastonbury Blvd., Glastonbury, (860) 652-3474 (maxfishct.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Sat.) D LS, $$

Metro Bis • ***American*** The restaurant's got a lovely new home at Simsbury 1820 House, but the focus hasn't changed—classically grounded innovation, seasonally oriented and ever open to a playful riff or two. • 731 Hopmeadow St., Simsbury, (860) 651-1908 (metrobis.com). Closed Sun. L D, $$, WA

The Mill on the River • ***American*** Pan-seared Chilean sea bass and pork chop Milanese are tops at this former gristmill. *Wine Spectator* Award of Excellence. • 989 Ellington Rd., South Windsor, (860) 289-7929 (themillontheriver.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Fri.) D SB, $$, WA

Millwright's Restaurant • ***American*** Tyler Anderson dazzled us for years at The Copper Beech Inn. Now, he's wowing all comers at this sparkling restaurant. • 77 West St., Simsbury, (860) 651-5500 (millwrightsrestaurant.com). Closed Mon.-Tues. D, $$$, WA

ON20 • ***Contemporary French / American*** Savor panaromic city views and sophisticated atmosphere along with sumptuous seasonal cuisine. • 400 Columbus Blvd., 20th Floor, Hartford, (860) 722-5161 (ontwenty.com). L (Mon.-Fri.) D (Wed.-Sat.), $$ (L) $$$ (D), E

Republic • ***Gastropub*** Handcrafted beers, boutique wines and small-batch bourbons are offered at this high-end pub. • 39 Jerome Ave., Bloomfield, (860) 216-5852 (republicct.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Fri.) D LS, $$ [★★½ 10/14]

Ruth's Chris Steakhouse • ***Steak*** Billed as "the steak that speaks for itself" the steaks served at the Connecticut location of this national chain are USDA Prime. In addition, the restaurant utilizes locally sourced produce in its recipes. • 2513 Berlin Tpke., Newington, (860) 666-2202 (ruthschris.com). L (Sun.) D $$$, WA

Salute • ***Italian/American*** It's like a classy party every night at this restaurant, where diners enjoy everything from traditional pasta dishes (including gluten-free choices) to giobatto, a robust chicken-sausage stew in a spicy broth served over fettucine. • 100 Trumbull St., Hartford, (860) 899-1350 (salutect.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Sat.) D, $$, WA

Shady Glen • ***American*** A dairy bar/restaurant known for cheeseburgers and ice cream. • 840 Middle Tpke. E., Manchester, (860) 649-4245; 360 Middle Tpke. W., Manchester, (860) 643-0511. Open daily. L D, $, WA

Sorella • ***Italian*** A new kid on the block from restaurant pros Billy Carbone and Dan Keller, who own Dish across the street. • 901 Main St., Hartford, (860) 244-9084 (sorellahartford.com). L (Mon.-Sat.) D $$, WA

Tisane Euro-Asian Café • ***Asian Fusion*** The diverse menu is complemented by over 40 specialty martinis and other specialty drinks. Try the Far East nachos, wings trio, Tisane Cobb salad, noodle bowls and espresso steak. • 537 Farmington Ave., Hartford, (860) 523-5417 (mytisane.com). Open daily. L D SB, $, E, WA

Treva Restaurant • ***Italian*** Offers chef-inspired Northern Italian cuisine—bronzino, tagliardi and porchetta—in a warm, rustic and casual environment. Treva's mixologists create a wide range of cocktails. • 980 Farmington Ave., West Hartford, (860) 232-0407 (trevact.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Fri.) D SB LS, $$

Trumbull Kitchen • ***American*** "Global comfort food" is served at communal tables in the bar or individual tables in the dining rooms at this sophisticated city brasserie. *Wine Spectator* Award of Excellence. • 150 Trumbull St., Hartford, (860) 493-7417 (maxrestaurantgroup.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Sat.) D LS, $$, E

Vinted Wine Bar & Kitchen • ***Tapas*** This exciting restaurant in Blue Back Square serves 68 wines by the glass along with an ambitious small-plates menu. 63 Memorial Rd., West Hartford, (860) 206-4648 (vintedwinebar.com). Open daily. D, $$, WA

Litchfield County

Arethusa al Tavolo • ***New American*** This high-flying country restaurant serves sparkling dishes like butter-poached halibut with crab paella, rack of lamb and a glorious reinvention of Peking duck. • 828 Bantam Rd., Bantam, (860) 567-0043 (arethusaaltavolo.com). Open Thurs.-Sun. D, $$$, WA

Backstage • ***American*** Enjoy casual American fare prepared from scratch—salads and soups, creative small plates, hand-formed Angus patties on house-baked rolls—and 40 beers on tap. • 84 Main St., Torrington, (860) 489-8900 (backstageeatdrinklive.com). Open daily. L D LS SB, $$, E, WA

Community Table • ***American*** Chef Joel Viehland offers a seasonal menu using only ingredients grown, raised or foraged within a 200-mile radius. • 223 Litchfield Tpke., Washington, (860) 868-9354 (communitytablect.com). Closed Tues.-Wed. D SB, $$, WA

The Cookhouse • ***Barbecue*** "Slo-smoked" baby-back ribs and pulled pork are the name of the game here. • 31 Danbury Rd. (Rte. 7), New Milford, (860) 355-4111 (thecookhouse.com). Open daily. L D, $$, WA

Gifford's • ***American*** Enjoy a melting pot of a menu that features the flavors of Thailand, Tuscany, Vietnam, Morroco and France, as well as local farm fare. In winter guests can enjoy a fireplace, in summer they can eat outside on an awning-shaded dining terrace. • 9 Maple St., Kent, (860) 592-0262 (jpgifford.com). Closed Mon.-Tues. D, $$$, WA [★★½ 6/14]

The Hopkins Inn • ***Austrian/American*** A country inn with an Old World atmosphere known for wiener schnitzel, backhendl and fresh-caught trout. • 22 Hopkins Rd., Warren, (860) 868-7295. Closed Mon. B L (Tues.-Sat.) D, $$$

John's Café • ***New American*** A popular spot for New American cuisine with a Mediterranean accent: grilled pizzas, ricotta gnocchi and salmon with morels. *Wine Spectator* Award of Excellence. • 693 Main St. S., Woodbury, (203) 263-0188 (johnscafe.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Sat.) D, $$, WA

Longwood Country Inn • ***New England*** Enjoy fine dining in a historic 1789 inn where the options include lobster bisque, seafood crêpes and roast quail. • 1204 Main St. S., Woodbury, (203) 266-0800 (longwoodcountryinn.com). Closed Mon. L (Tues.-Sat.) D (Tues.-Sat.) SB, $$, WA

The Painted Pony • ***American*** This cozy spot offers a variety of dishes, from prime rib and steak to pasta and pizza. Live entertainment every Thurs. • 74 Main St. (Rte. 61), Bethlehem, (203) 266-5771 (paintedponyrestaurant.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Sat.) D, $, E, WA

Pastorale • ***French/Mediterranean*** Housed in a 1760s Colonial, Pastorale uses local and organic ingredients in dishes like pan-seared Idaho rainbow trout, chicken paillard and moules marinière. • 223 Main St., Lakeville, (860) 435-1011 (pastoralebistro.com). Closed Mon. D SB, $$, WA

Patty's Restaurant • ***American*** A delightful breakfast experience with generous portions—the menu is influenced by season and might include treats such as raisin French toast or apple, walnut and cranberry pancakes. • 499 Bantam Rd., Litchfield, (860) 567-3335. Open daily. B L $

The Restaurant at Winvian • ***French*** Chef Chris Eddy constantly changes the menu, using simple and seasonal ingredients accented with unusual and fresh findings. • 155 Alain White Rd., Morris, (860) 567-9600 (winvian.com). Closed Mon.-Tues. L D, $$$, WA

Salsa Restaurant • ***Southwestern*** Salsa highlights Southwestern cuisine with house-made mild-to-hot New Mexican-style dishes, fajitas, quesadillas and house-made salsas. • 31 Bank St., New Milford, (860) 350-0701. Closed Mon. L D, $, WA

Scarpelli's • ***American*** Since 1936, Scarpelli's has been offering classic comfort foods like chicken parmigiana, meat loaf, fried chicken and fish-and-chips. • 865 Migeon Ave., Torrington, (860) 482-7977 (scarpellisclassiccatering.com). Open daily. B L D, $$, WA

Venetian Restaurant • ***Classic Italian*** Enjoy seasonal specials and traditional fare like house-made pasta, veal dishes, grilled lamb chops, and tiramisu and rum cake for dessert. • 52 East Main St., Torrington, (860) 489-8592 (thevenetianrestaurant.com). Closed Tues. L (Mon.-Sat.) D, $$, WA

The Village Restaurant • ***American*** A historic pub and restaurant in the heart of Litchfield. Veal Bartalucci, Parmesan-and-horseradish-encrusted salmon and cheeseburgers top the menu. • 25 West St., Litchfield, (860) 567-8307 (village-litchfield.com). Open daily. L D, $$

West Street Grill • ***New American*** An innovative restaurant with a star-studded clientele and menu to match. Serves wild fish, handmade pasta and organic salads. *Wine Spectator* Award of Excellence. • 43 West St., Litchfield, (860) 567-3885 (west-streetgrill.com). Open daily. L D SB, $$$, R (on weekends), WA

The White Horse Country Pub • ***American*** Serves American pub favorites like burgers, ribs and seafood bake, along with some English ones—shepherd's pie, fish-and-chips and bangers and mash. • 258 New Milford Tpke., Washington, (860) 868-1496 (whitehorse-countrypub.com). Open daily. L D SB, $$, WA

Yokohama • ***Japanese*** Delicious tempura and teriyaki dishes, plus sushi and sashimi. • 131 Danbury Rd., New Milford, (860) 355-0556 (yokohama-sushi.net). Open daily. L D, $$, WA

Middlesex County

Alforno • ***Northern Italian*** Known for a great selection of house-made ravioli, including veal osso buco with fresh ricotta ravioli, butternut squash ravioli and wild boar ravioli, as well as tagliatelle Bolognese and arugula chicken. • 1654 Boston Post Rd., Old Saybrook, (860) 399-4166 (alforno.net). Open daily. L D, $$, WA

Angelico's Lake House • ***American*** Overlooking Lake Pocotopaug, Angelico's features great outside dining and a tiki hut. Try the spinach risotto, roast prime rib, stuffed salmon or lobster ravioli with sautéed shrimp. • 81 North Main St., East Hampton, (860) 267-1276 (angelicoslakehouse.com). Open daily. L D LS SB, $$, E, WA

Baci Grill • ***Modern Italian*** Try house specialties like grilled mango-and-chipotle pork loin, chicken sausage and broccoli rabe pasta, Guinness skirt steak and scallop risotto at this casual, trendy restaurant. • 134 Berlin Rd., Cromwell, (860) 613-2224 (bacigrill.com). Open daily. L D LS, $$, E, WA

Boom on the Water • ***American*** Dine on the outdoor deck overlooking a sea of yachts. Favorites include fried oysters, filet mignon Oscar with crabmeat-sherry cream and BBQ duck quesadillas. • Brewer's Pilots Point Marina, 63 Pilots Point Dr., Westbrook, (860) 399-2322 (boomrestaurant.net). Open daily. L D SB, $$, WA

Coyote Blue Tex Mex Café • ***Tex-Mex*** The extensive menu includes the spinach-and-feta quesadilla, cattleman's steak and Southwestern stir-fry served over Mexican rice. • 1960 Saybrook Rd., Middletown, (860) 345-2403 (coyoteblue.com). Closed Mon. D, $, WA

Cuckoo's Nest • ***Mexican*** Housed in a 200-year-old barn, Cuckoo's Nest has been serving nachos, fajitas, Cajun shrimp and scallops for over 35 years. • 1712 Post Rd., Old Saybrook, (860) 399-9060 (cuckoosnest.biz). Open daily. L D SB, $$, E, WA

Fresh Salt • ***American*** Drink in the glorious water view while savoring cioppino, merlot-braised short ribs, osso buco and Block Island swordfish. • 2 Bridge St., Old Saybrook, (860) 395-2000 (saybrook.com). Open daily. B L (Mon.-Sat.) D SB, $$$, E, WA

Gabrielle's • ***American Bistro*** Gabrielle's is an upscale bistro serving grilled tenderloin of beef, pan-seared scallops and pan-roasted fillet of salmon. • 78 Main St., Centerbook, (860) 767-2440 (gabrielles.net). Open daily. L (Mon.-Fri.) D SB, $$, WA

Gelston House • ***American*** This historic restaurant offers unparalleled views of the Goodspeed Opera House and the Connecticut River. Entrées include pan-seared duck breast, filet mignon and lamb ragout. • 8 Main St., East Haddam, (860) 873-1411 (gelstonhouse.com). Closed Mon. L (Tues.-Sun.) D LS SB, $$, E, WA

The Griswold Inn • ***American*** The beloved 1776 "Gris" features classic New England cuisine in the dining room, small plates and 50 wines by the glass in the wine bar, and a lively taproom. *Wine Spectator* Award of Excellence. • 36 Main St., Essex, (860) 767-1776 (griswoldinn.com). Open daily. L D SB, $$$, E, WA

La Foresta • ***Italian*** A wine bar and ristorante with fine Italian wines, serving garden-fresh, ingredient-driven Northern Italian

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Lenny & Joe's Fish Tale • ***Seafood*** This Connecticut institution serves all manner of fresh seafood, from hot lobster rolls to baked stuffed shrimp to fried whole-belly clams. • 86 Boston Post Rd., Westbrook, (860) 669-0767 (ljfishtale.com). Open daily. L D, $$, WA

Liv's Oyster Bar • ***Seafood*** Liv's is a stylish, small neighborhood restaurant housed in an old movie theater. Stonington sea scallops, wild salmon, organic chicken and heirloom vegetables top the menu. • 166 Main St., Old Saybrook, (860) 395-5577 (livsoysterbar.com). Closed Tues. D, $$, WA

Luigi's • ***Italian*** Enjoy classic Italian favorites like seafood cannelloni, chicken leonardo, veal parmigiana, whole clams, prime rib and other dishes in a warm, home-like atmosphere. • 1295 Boston Post Road, Old Saybrook, (860) 388-9190 (luigis-restaurant.com). Closed Monday (except in July and August). D, $$, WA

Restaurant L&E/French 75 Bar • ***French*** Upstairs you'll find formal, elegant dining and a seasonal menu while downstairs offers a more traditional bistro experience. • 59 Main St., Chester, (860) 526-5301 (restaurantlande.com). Open daily. D LS, $$$, WA

River Tavern • ***American*** Farm-to-table pioneer Jonathan Rapp wears top toque at this town fixture. On the menu: made-to-order guacamole, grilled Stonington swordfish, New York strip. • 23 Main St., Chester, (860) 526-9417 (rivertavernrestaruant.com). Open daily. L D $$

Westbrook Lobster • ***Seafood*** Offers the freshest fish possible in dishes ranging from baked stuffed lobster to teriyaki-grilled salmon to seafood paella. • 346 Boston Post Rd., Clinton, (860) 664-9464 (westbrooklobster.com). Open daily. L D, $$, WA

New Haven County

121 Restaurant @ OXC • ***American*** Watch the planes take off and land at 121, located at the Waterbury-Oxford Airport. The menu runs from great pizzas and burgers to an eclectic mix of American favorites. • 7 Juliano Dr., Oxford, (203) 262-0121 (121restaurantgroup.com/oxc). Closed Mon. L D, $$, E, WA

Aldario's Restaurant • ***Classic Italian*** Featuring rich colors, cozy booths and vaulted ceilings, this spot serves pork osso buco and zuppa di pesce. • 240 Naugatuck Ave., Milford, (203) 874-6096 (aldarios.com). Closed Mon. L D, $$, WA

Archie Moore's Bar & Restaurant • ***American*** Casual pub-style dining with burgers, nachos and salads. And don't miss the award-winning buffalo chicken wings. • 188½ Willow St., New Haven, (203) 773-9870; 39 N. Main St., Wallingford, (203) 265-7100; 15 Factory La., Milford, (203) 876-5088, (archiemoores.com). Open daily. L D LS, $

Ballou's Restaurant & Wine Bar • ***Italian*** A casual and relaxed wine bar. Full menu with fondue and much more. Has an outdoor, dog friendly patio and gluten free menu. • 51 Whitefield St., Guilford, (203) 453-0319 (ballouswinebar.com). Open daily. L D, $$

Bar Bouchée • ***French*** Jean Pierre Vuillermet's classic bistro has a black-and-white tile floor, pressed-tin-style walls and ceiling and a zinc bar. On the menu: duck leg confit, charcuterie and beef bourguignon. • 8 Scotland Rd., Madison, (203) 318-8004. Open daily. D, $$

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The Cask Republic • ***Gastropub*** Beer is the star here, with 125 bottled and more than 50 draft beers on offer. Pair it with dishes like sweet-potato clam chowder, oyster sliders and pan-seared sea scallops. • 179 Crown St., New Haven, (475) 238-8335 (thecaskrepublic.com). Closed Sun. L D, $$, WA

Ceviche • ***Latin Fusion*** Several different styles of ceviche are offered here. In addition the place features a variety of sizzling Latin dishes, cocktails and 30 different types of tapas. Try the Granada Mojito, which features pomegranate flavors. • 530 Middlebury Road, Middlebury, (203) 527-7634 (cevichelatinkitchen.com). Closed Monday. L (Wed.-Thurs.) D LS, $$, WA

Claire's Corner Copia • ***Vegetarian*** A café-style spot offering globe-trotting dishes like organic-mushroom crêpes, Bengal curry, Irish breakfast and Lithuanian coffee cake. • 1000 Chapel St., New Haven, (203) 562-3888 (clairescornercopia.com). Open daily. B L D SB, $, WA

Consiglio's Restaurant • ***Classic Italian*** Family-owned and -run for over 70 years, Consiglio's is known for classic home-style favorites like homemade cavatelli and braciole, eggplant rollatini and lasagna. • 165 Wooster St., New Haven, (203) 865-4489 (consiglios.com). Open daily. L (Tues.-Fri., Sun.) D, $$

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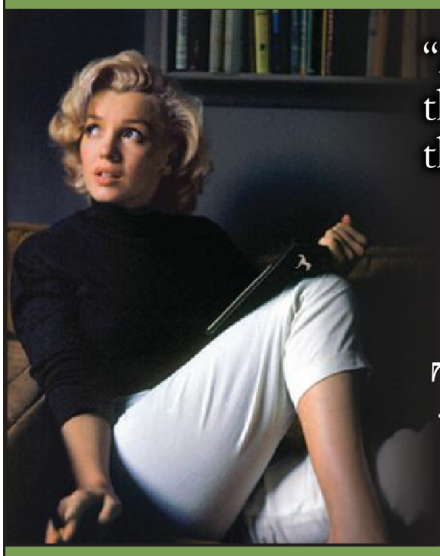

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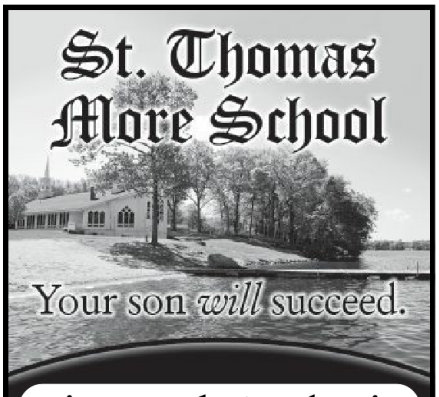

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Geronimo Tequila Bar & Southwest Grill • ***Southwestern Fusion*** A mix of traditional Native American, Mexican, Spanish and Anglo-American fare, with bold flavors and authentic ingredients. • 271 Crown St., New Haven, (203) 777-7700 (geronimobarandgrill.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Sat.) D, $$ [★★ 7/13]

Goodfellas Restaurant • ***Italian*** The extensive menu is a veritable Best Hits of Italy, featuring pastas and gnocchi, pork chop Milanese, steak pizzaiola, veal saltimbocca and the chef's signature filet cognac. • 702 State St., New Haven, (203) 785-8722 (goodfellasrestaurant.com). Open daily. L D, $$, WA

Heirloom • ***Modern Continental*** Chef Carey Savona serves dishes like crab cakes with fennel and vermouth butter and herbed gnocchi with rapini and tomatoes. • The Study at Yale, 1157 Chapel St., New Haven, (203) 503-3919 (studyhotels.com). Open daily. B L (Mon.-Sat.) D SB, $$, WA

Ibiza Tapas • ***Tapas*** Requeson cheese croquettes, sautéed shrimp in garlic sauce and Spanish veal-and-pork meatballs are among the offerings. • 1832 Dixwell Ave., Hamden, (203) 909-6512 (ibizatapaswinebar.com). Open daily. L D, $, WA

J. Christian's • ***New American*** A smart, lively restaurant and lounge that takes no shortcuts in preparing New American cuisine with a Southern accent. • 9 North Main St., Wallingford, (203) 265-6393 (jchristians.com). Closed Mon. L D, $$

La Tavola Ristorante • ***Classic Italian*** Enjoy a twist on classic Italian cuisine with prosciutto-wrapped figs, pumpkin ravioli and pepper-encrusted Ahi tuna. • 702 Highland Ave., Waterbury, (203) 755-2211 (latavolaristorante.com). Closed Sun. L D, $$, WA

Lenny & Joe's Fish Tale • ***Seafood*** This Connecticut institution serves all manner of fresh seafood, from hot lobster rolls to baked stuffed shrimp to fried whole-belly clams. • 501 Long Wharf Dr., New Haven, (203) 691-6619 (ljfishtale.com). Open daily. L D, $$, WA

L'Orcio • ***Contemporary Italian*** This upscale restaurant features a menu of house-made pastas, grilled whole fish and steaks. • 806 State St., New Haven, (203) 777-6670 (lorcio.com). Closed Mon. L (Fri.) D, $$

Moxie • ***American*** High-end American cuisine is the star here. Try the perfectly cooked burger that comes with awesome fries doused in kosher salt and malt vinegar powder. • 52 Wall Street, Madison, (203) 421-6963, moxie-bar.com. Closed Mon. D (Tues.-Sun) L (Fri.-Sun.), $$, WA

Miya's • ***Sushi*** A sushi restaurant like no other, thanks to chef Bun Lai's unique creations. • 68 Howe St., New Haven, (203) 777-9760 (miyassushi.com). Closed Sun.-Mon. L D, $$$, WA

Olea • ***Spanish*** A world-class, full-service Spanish restaurant, with a fun tapas bar. • 39 High St., New Haven (203) 780-8925, oleanewhaven.com. Closed Sun., Mon.-Thur. L D, $$$, WA [★★★★ 2/15]

Park Central Tavern • ***American*** The dynamic weekly menu showcases signature entrées and classic favorites made with fresh New England ingredients. • 1640 Whitney Ave., Hamden, (203) 287-8887 (parkcentraltavern.com). Open daily. L D, $, WA

Ristorante Luce • ***Classic Italian*** Enjoy the double-cut veal chops, pane cotto, risotto pescatore and daily fish specials. Extensive wine list. • 2987 Whitney Ave., Hamden, (203) 407-8000 (ristoranteluce.net). Open daily. L (Mon.-Fri.) D, $$

Roìa • ***French/Italian*** This new spot in the Taft Hotel building evokes a golden era when romance reigned. On the menu: artichoke soup, chicken al mattone and panna cotta. 261 College St., New Haven, (203) 200-7045 (roiarestaurant.com). D (Wed.-Sun.), $$, WA

Sake Fusion Restaurant • ***Asian Fusion*** Indian pancakes with curry sauce, Thai red snapper, Vietnamese-style grilled pork and Malaysian-style sautéed eggplant are just a few of the Asian-fusion dishes on the menu at this exotic spot. • 730 Main St. S., Southbury, (203) 264-2888 (sakefusionsouthbury.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Sat.) D, $, WA

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Señor Pancho's • ***Mexican*** A festive spot serving up terrific fresh salsa and margaritas to go with mole poblano, steak ranchero and fajitas. • 280 Cheshire Rd., Prospect, (203) 758-7788; 385 Main St. S., Southbury, (203) 262-6988 (senorpanchos.com). Open daily. L D SB, $, E, WA

Thali Regional Cuisine of India • ***Indian*** Chic, exotic and fun. Thali dinners include Konkan crab, lamb chops and Andhra chicken curry. • 4 Orange St., New Haven, (203) 777-1177 (thali.com). Open daily. L D SB, $$, WA

The Wharf • ***New American*** This great spot at the Madison Beach Hotel serves up steak tartare, cioppino and grilled Berkshire pork chop with roasted fennel—with a side of water views. • 94 West Wharf Rd., Madison, (203) 350-0014 (madisonbeachhotel.com). Open daily. B, L (Mon.-Sat.), D. $$$, WA

Wood-n-Tap • ***American*** Hip, fun eateries known for great burgers and great beer. You'll also love the pizza, pasta, salads and sandwiches. • 311 Boston Post Rd., Orange, (203) 799-9663; 970 N. Colony Rd., Wallingford, (203) 265-9663 (woodntap.com). Open daily. L D LS, $, WA

Zafra Cuban Restaurant & Rum Bar • ***Cuban*** With a collection of 300 different kinds of rum—one of the largest in the country—this New Haven establishment is Connecticut's first true rum bar. Small, dark and atmospheric, this hip locale features chef Tadahiro ("Haya") Hayasaka's subtle and sometimes fanciful take on Cuban soul food. • 259 Orange St., New Haven, (203) 859-5342 (zafrarumbar.com). Open daily. L (Tues.-Fri.) D LS, $$, WA

New London County

Abbott's Lobsters • ***Seafood*** Enjoy the flavors of the sea and season at this lobster restaurant that is only open in the warmer months. Specialties include the aptly named opulent seafood rolls, a variety of clams, oysters and muslces, and of course lobster. • 17 Pearl Street, Noank/Groton. (860) 536-7719 (abbottslobster.com).Open daily through September and weekends through October. L D, $.

Al Dente • ***Italian*** Savor the mouthwatering flavors of frutti di mare, farfalle con pollo and medaglioni de manzo, followed up with cannoli or tiramisu at this Italian dining gem. • Foxwoods Resort Casino, Mashantucket, (800) Foxwoods (foxwoods.com). Open daily. D, $$$, E, WA

Alta Strada • ***Italian*** Try favorites like chittara with spicy lobster and fresh peas and grilled lamb chops with asparagus, potato and pickled onion salad. • MGM Grand at Foxwoods, 240 MGM Grand Dr., Mashantucket, (860) 312-2582 (altastradarestaurant.com). Open daily. L D, $$$

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Ballo Italian Restaurant & Social Club • ***Italian*** A sumptuous restaurant inspired by the magnificent 12th-century Abbey of San Galgano in Siena. On the menu: pizza and pasta, striped bass and veal porterhouse. • Mohegan Sun, Uncasville, (860) 862-1100 (balloitalian.com). L D, $$, WA

Bar Americain • ***American*** This brasserie serves up Bobby Flay specialties like lobster-avocado cocktails, buttermilk-fried chicken with biscuits—and big-time glamour. • Mohegan Sun, Uncasville, (860) 862-8000 (baramericain.com). Open daily. D, $$

Bleu Squid • ***American*** A bakery and cheese shop serving 30 cheeses and 40 different cupcakes. Also serves up grilled cheese sandwiches to go, freshly made and to order, including the best-selling lobster grilled cheese. • 27 Coogan Blvd., Mystic, (860) 536-6343 (dessertsmysticct.com). Open daily. L D, $, WA

The Captain Daniel Packer Inne • ***American*** This 1754 whaler's inn features a view of the Mystic River along with dishes like lemon pepper chicken, filet mignon and salmon • 32 Water St., Mystic, (860) 536-3555 (danielpacker.com). Open daily. L D, $$$ WA

C.C. O'Brien's • ***Irish Pub*** A neighborhood sports pub with great food, friendly service, sports on 20 HDTVs and live entertainment on Saturday nights. • 8 Mechanic St., Pawcatuck, (860) 599-2034 (ccobriens.com). Open daily. L D LS, $$, WA

The Chestnut Grille • ***American*** The winning seasonal menu here includes succulent treats such as pan-roasted duck breast and seared diver scallops. • The Bee and Thistle Inn, 100 Lyme St., Old Lyme, (860) 434-1667 (beeandthistleinn.com). Closed Sun.-Mon. D, $$$, E

David Burke Prime • ***American*** An updated steakhouse menu with dry-aged beef, as well as terrific pork, chicken and seafood specialties. The steak served here is truly a cut above. • Foxwoods Resort Casino, Mashantucket, (860) 312-8753 (davidburke-prime.com). Open daily. L D SB, $$$

Flanders Fish Market & Restaurant • ***Seafood*** Flanders excels at lobster bisque, fish-and-chips and broiled seafood. Known for its bountiful Sunday buffet, fresh seafood market and New England clambakes. • 22 Chesterfield Rd., East Lyme, (860) 739-8866 (flandersfish.com). Open daily. L D SB, $$, WA

Frank Pepe Pizzeria Napoletana • ***Pizza*** While world-famous clam pizza is the standout, many other varieties are also worth the wait. • Mohegan Sun, Uncasville, (860) 862-8888 (pepespizzeria.com). Open daily. L (Mon.-Fri.) D, $, WA

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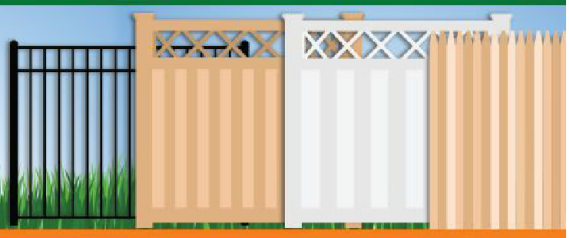

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Jasper White's Summer Shack • ***Seafood*** This award-winning restaurant features live lobster and crab, fried seafood, chowders and wood-grilled fish. • Mohegan Sun, Uncasville, (860) 862-9500 (summershackrestaurant.com). Open daily. L D SB, $$

Johnny's Peking Tokyo • ***Asian Fusion*** The finest in Asian-fusion cuisine, including ginger duck, shrimp and pork Hunan-style, sushi and sashimi. Dine in or order online for pickup. • 12 Coogan Blvd., Mystic, (860) 572-9991 (johnnysushibar.com). Open daily. L D, $$, WA

Kensington's at The Spa at Norwich Inn • ***American*** A first-class restaurant serving gourmet food with an emphasis on natural meats, fresh, locally sourced produce and healthy preparations. • 607 West Thames St., Norwich, (860) 425-3630 (thespaatnorwichinn.com). Open daily. B L D SB, $$$, E, WA

Kitchen Little • ***American*** Enjoy a panoramic view of the Mystic River while dining on eggs Benedict, omelets and other savory egg dishes at this breakfast destination. • 36 Quarry Rd., Mystic (kitchenlittle.org). Open daily for breakfast. B L (Mon.-Fri.) SB, $

Michael Jordan's Steak House • ***American*** USDA prime steaks, chops and fresh seafood paired with an extensive wine list. • Mohegan Sun, Uncasville, (860) 862-8600 (michaeljordansteakhouse.com). Open daily. D, $$$

Octagon • ***American*** The menu at this upscale yet relaxed steak house includes the signature 24-ounce bone-in rib eye, 14-ounce Kobe sirloin and wild striped bass. *Wine Spectator* Award of Excellence. • Mystic Marriott Hotel, 625 North Rd., Groton, (860) 326-0360 (octagonsteakhouse.com). Open daily. D, $$$, R

The Old Lyme Inn • ***American*** The Inn's restaurant and bar features a locally sourced menu with a modern twist on traditional dishes. • 85 Lyme St., Old Lyme, (860) 434-2600 (oldlymeinn.com). Open daily. L D, $$$, WA

Oyster Club • ***American*** This popular place showcases food that travels the shortest distance from farm and sea to table, with seasonality and location determining the day's dishes. • 13 Water St., Mystic, (860) 415-9266 (oysterclubct.com). Closed Tues. L (Sat.) D SB, $$, WA

Paragon • ***American*** This 24th floor aerie is Foxwoods' showpiece, with a menu that highlights organic produce and meats: crispy wild boar meatballs and Dover sole with beurre noir. • Foxwoods Resort Casino, Mashantucket, (800) 312-3000 (foxwoods.com). Closed Mon.-Tues. D, $$$, WA

Red 36 • ***American*** It's all about the sea at this waterside hotspot that offers dinner with a view. • 2 Washington St., Mystic, (860) 536-3604 (red36ct.com). Closed Mon. L D, $$

S&P Oyster Co. • ***Seafood*** Serving traditional New England seafood with a South American flair. Enjoy oysters on the half shell, PEI mussels, fresh cuts of fish and Creekstone Farms steaks grilled over hard woods. • 1 Holmes St., Mystic, (860) 536-2674 (sp-oyster.com). Open daily. L D, $$, WA

Tolland County

Altnaveigh Inn & Restaurant • ***American*** This 1734 farmhouse serves filet mignon with port-wine reduction demiglace and pan-seared tuna with onion marmalade. • 957 Storrs Rd., Storrs, (860) 429-4490 (altnaveighinn.com). Closed Sun.-Mon. L (Tues.-Fri.) D, $$$, WA

Angellino's Restaurant • ***Italian*** There's plenty to like at Angellino's, including penne Augustino with artichoke hearts, sun-dried tomatoes and garlic. • 135 Storrs Rd., Mansfield, (860) 450-7071; 346 Kelly Rd., Vernon, (860) 644-7702 (angellinos.com). Open daily. L D, $$, WA

Asian Bistro • ***Asian Fusion*** A popular hibachi steak house/bar offering Asian-fusion dishes along with sushi and sashimi. • 95 Storrs Rd., Mansfield, (860) 456-8316 (asianbistromansfield.com). Open daily. L D, $$, WA

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High school teams were teamed with manufacturing companies to create videos that showcased "What's So Cool About Manufacturing." These videos are now available to view online at eamainc.org/2015videocompetition/.

The project culminated in a film festival, the EAMY Awards, at Three Rivers Community College in Norwich. Carol Sisco, vice president and executive director of television programming and acquisitions for the Connecticut Public Broadcasting Network, served as one of the judges. The award winners included:

The team from RHAM High School of Hebron, pictured, produced a video in cooperation with MPS Plastics of Marlborough that won two EAMY Awards, including Best Overall Video.

- **Outstanding Videography Award** - Plainfield High School and Web Industries
- **Best Narration Award** - Montville High School and Collins & Jewell Corp.
- **Outstanding Educational Value Award** - Woodstock Academy and Linemaster Switch Corp.
- **Most Creative Award** - Westerly High School and Acme Wire Products Co., Inc.
- **Viewers' Choice Awards** - RHAM High School and MPS Plastics (first place); Ellis Technical High School and Westminster Tool (second place); Plainfield High School and Bollore Inc. (third place)
- **Best Overall Video Award** - RHAM High School and MPS Plastics

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This company has always considered educating Connecticut's young people to be a key part of its mission. That's why the Connecticut Public Broadcasting Network has an entire education department devoted to promoting lifelong learning. In fact, over the past decade, CPBN has delivered over 10,000 hours of instruction to middle school, high school, college and adult students.

We are especially proud of our education department's partnership with Hartford Public Schools' Journalism & Media Academy Magnet School (JMA). Through this partnership, the Learning Lab located at CPBN's Hartford headquarters serves as the JMA's satellite campus. Here, JMA seniors take classes in video production, editing and digital arts.

Recently, the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences (NATAS) Boston/New England Chapter announced that two student videos produced through this partnership have been nominated for a total of three 2015 High School Awards for Excellence. "ThinkTwice: Stop Child Abuse," written, directed and edited by Woodlyn Joachim, was honored in two categories: High School Short Form, Non-fiction and High School Writing. "Design Your Future," produced by Solimar Aponte and Julyanna Schreider-Passos, with Ms. Schreider-Passos also serving as photographer, animator and editor, was nominated in the Animation/Graphics/Special Effects category.

We are so proud of all of the students involved in the making of these films, and congratulate them for this honor. More information on our education department and our partnership with JMA can be found at CPBN.org/education.

Speaking of awards, we are also thrilled to announce that CPTV received 11 Regional Emmy Award nominations from NATAS Boston/New England for the 2014 television season! Two of the nominations went to *Infinity Hall Live*, the CPTV Original music series that's debuting a new season this June. For more information on our nominations, see page 82.

We clearly have a lot to celebrate this June, but none of it would be possible without the support of our members. Everything we achieve, we achieve together!

Jerry Franklin
President and CEO, Connecticut Public Broadcasting Network

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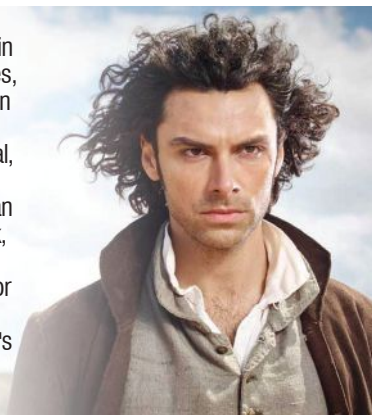
The Forsyte Saga
Beginning Sunday, June 14 with Three Back-to-Back Episodes on CPTV

CPTV airs a special encore presentation of this beloved 2002 series that chronicles three generations of an upper-middle-class family in Victorian and Edwardian England. Damian Lewis (*Wolf Hall on Masterpiece*) stars with Gina McKee, Ioan Gruffud, Rupert Graves, Amanda Root and Corin Redgrave.

The Roosevelts: An Intimate History
Tuesdays at 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. Beginning June 9 on CPTV

Ken Burns' popular seven-part documentary series returns to CPTV. The stories of Theodore, Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt, three members of one of the most prominent and influential families in American history, are woven together. The result is a fascinating account that marks the first time their individual stories have been told in a single narrative.

Poldark on Masterpiece
Sundays at 9 p.m. Beginning June 21 on CPTV



Almost 40 years ago, Captain Ross Poldark galloped across TV screens in one of *Masterpiece*'s earliest hit series, "Poldark." Now the captain rides again in a new version with all the action, adventure and romance of the original, plus even more spectacular Cornish scenery and rousing local color. Aidan Turner (*The Hobbit*) stars as Poldark, a redcoat who returns to Cornwall after the American Revolution; Eleanor Tomlinson (*Masterpiece*'s "Death Comes to Pemberley") plays a miner's daughter taken in by the captain.

Last Tango in Halifax, Season 3
Sundays at 8 p.m. Beginning June 28 on CPTV

Alan (Derek Jacobi) and Celia (Anne Reid) are back, along with their colorful cast of friends and family members, for a new season of the award-winning series *Last Tango in Halifax*! Once childhood sweethearts, Alan and Celia fell for each other all over again when they were reunited after nearly 60 years. Watch as their relationship continues to evolve as they work to make the most of their time together.

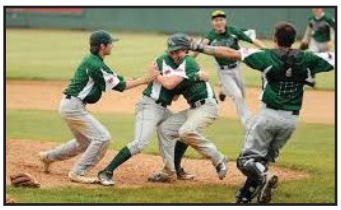
First Peoples
Wednesdays at 9 p.m. Beginning June 24 on CPTV and Fridays at 9 p.m. Beginning June 26 on CPTV4U

Learn how early Homo sapiens moved around the globe and became the dominant human species. Each episode of this series focuses on a different continent and meets the earliest Homo sapiens on that continent. Discover where they came from, and how they got there.

Caring for Mom & Dad
Monday, June 15 at 10 p.m., Sunday, June 21 at 1 p.m. and Sunday, June 28 at 7 p.m. on CPTV

This documentary examines an unprecedented demographic shift: the 75 million baby boomers now entering their retirement years, and the problems of caring for this aging population when they can no longer care for themselves. Explore the emotional, health and financial challenges that many caregivers face.

High School Championship Coverage
Airing Throughout June on CPTV Sports



CPTV Sports airs CIAC high school championship coverage for track, girls lacrosse and boys volleyball in June. Plus, CIAC championship baseball games air live on June 12 at 7 p.m. and June 13 at 12 p.m., 3:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. And on June 1, CPTV Sports premieres its coverage of the Eastern Connecticut Conference championship games for boys and girls lacrosse.

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Eight New Episodes Air on CPTV Fridays at 10 p.m. Beginning June 12 and on CPTV4U Sundays at 8 p.m. Beginning June 14

This June, Connecticut Public Television's Emmy-nominated national music series *Infinity Hall Live* returns with a new season of stirring performances from some of the world's most talented musicians. These artists, who hail from a variety of musical genres, are captured performing before live audiences at some Connecticut's most intimate venues, most notably Infinity Music Hall's two unique locations in Norfolk and Hartford.

Infinity Hall Live makes the music the focus with pure and simple performances by serious artists. The Infinity Music Hall venues allow the artists to create an intimate environment where every move and every note can be taken in by the viewer. Artists also deliver honest backstage interviews to draw audiences even closer!

"*Infinity Hall Live*, Season 4, proves the progression of this national series as a place to find well-produced concerts with no hype," said Dean Orton, chief operating officer of the Connecticut Public Broadcasting Network. "It's all about passionate artists creating a very personal experience for viewers."

Artists featured in Season 4 include:

America, Airing June 12 on CPTV & June 14 on CPTV4U
Legendary rock band America has been led for four decades by Gerry Beckley and Dewey Bunnell. Now, watch as the Grammy-winning group performs many of its greatest hits, including "A Horse with No Name," "Sister Golden Hair" and more. Plus, get behind-the-scenes insights from Beckley and Bunnell themselves.

Sadie and the Hotheads, Airing June 19 on CPTV & June 21 on CPTV4U
Sadie and the Hotheads, fronted by Elizabeth McGovern of *Masterpiece Classic*'s "Downton Abbey," draws on a variety of musical influences, from '60s pop to country, folk to jazz, Celtic to torch songs. In this energetic set, the group performs its catchy new single "Everybody's Got a Song," and provides a new approach to pop classics like the Bee Gees' "Stayin' Alive."

Tedeschi Trucks Band, Airing June 26 on CPTV & June 28 on CPTV4U
Infinity Hall Live goes "on the road" for this episode, capturing Tedeschi Trucks Band performing at Torrington's Warner Theatre. After building separate, successful solo careers, Derek Trucks and Susan Tedeschi united to form a band that combines Trucks' masterful guitar playing with Tedeschi's vocal prowess. At the Warner Theatre, Tedeschi Trucks Band jams on its new single "Made Up Mind" and mesmerizes with the ballad "Midnight in Harlem."

Women of Song, Airing July 3 on CPTV & July 5 on CPTV4U
Infinity Hall Live celebrates "Women of Song" with performances by a number of top female artists who have been featured on the program. Joan Osborne performs her hit song "One of Us"; Aimee Mann sings "Save Me" and "Wise Up" from the *Magnolia* soundtrack; Tori Amos provides soulful renditions of her songs "Leather" and "Winter"; and more!

Toad the Wet Sprocket, Airing July 10 on CPTV & July 12 on CPTV4U
With its signature sound and pensive lyrics, Toad the Wet Sprocket has earned the reputation of being one of the great indie rock bands of the '90s. Now the band – which front man Glen Phillips refers to as more of a family business than a rock band – performs popular songs from the hit albums *fear* and *Dulcinea*. Plus, hear exciting new tracks from the group's latest release, *New Constellation*.

Guitar Heroes, Airing July 17 on CPTV & July 19 on CPTV4U
Experience some of the best guitar moments in the history of *Infinity Hall Live*, featuring the intense musicianship of artists like Tommy Emmanuel, Robert Cray, Tim Reynolds and Keb' Mo', who each take a different approach to the six strings. Also featured is a performance by Derek Trucks from the Season 4 episode showcasing Tedeschi Trucks Band, as well as a sneak preview of the episode premiering July 24 featuring Robben Ford!

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Robben Ford, Airing July 24 on CPTV & July 26 on CPTV4U
Grammy-winning guitar virtuoso Robben Ford brings his signature style of blues and stunning guitar licks to *Infinity Hall Live*. He performs songs from his new album *Into the Sun*, as well as other favorites from his extensive catalogue of blues and rock. This spirited performance shows why Ford became a go-to musician for the likes of Miles Davis, Joni Mitchell, George Harrison and other legends.

Jackie Greene, Airing July 31 on CPTV & August 2 on CPTV4U
Jackie Greene's lyrics and guitar playing are influenced by blues, rock, soul and folk. He has participated in tours alongside Phil Lesh, Joan Osborne and Steve Gorman; spent some time as a member of the Black Crowes; and played alongside Levon Helm at many of his famed Midnight Rambles. Now this singer, songwriter, bandleader and multi-instrumentalist shares music from his eighth album, *Back to Birth*, and other Jackie Greene favorites like "Gone Wanderin'" and "Light Up Your Window."

For more information on the new season of *Infinity Hall Live*, and to view full episodes from past seasons, visit IHLive.org.

Plus, CPTV Makes Even More Beautiful Music This June

Also coming to CPTV in June is *Letter from Italy, 1944: A New American Oratorio*. This documentary, premiering on CPTV on Thursday, June 18 at 8 p.m., explores the effects of war on a soldier and his family through the lens of staging a new oratorio.

The oratorio was written by two sisters, Sarah Meneely-Kyder and Nancy Meneely (both Connecticut residents), about their father, Dr. John K. Meneely, Jr. He was a doctor trained at Yale Medical School who served as a medic in the elite 10th Mountain Division during World War II and returned home from war in Italy with post-traumatic stress disorder.

The film is narrated by Academy Award winner Meryl Streep and directed by Emmy Award-winning filmmaker Karyl Evans. It follows the creative process of writing the oratorio's lyrics (based on Dr. Meneely's poetic letters home from war) and music. Plus, go behind the scenes of the staging of the oratorio with the GMChorale (formerly the Greater Middletown Chorale) and soloists. *Letter from Italy, 1944: A New American Oratorio* ultimately weaves together a compelling story about a veteran and his family and the way a shared artistic experience can help heal the trauma of war.

Then, on Saturday, June 27 at 8 p.m., CPTV airs the world-premiere episode of the CPTV Original series *The Kate*. This feisty live music series shot at the Katharine Hepburn Cultural Arts Center in Old Saybrook features performers with artistic credibility and a bit of edge, infused with the essence of the unabashed, spirited Katharine Hepburn! *The Kate* will debut nationally in 2016, but CPTV viewers can get a sneak peak at the series with this premiere episode featuring Jarrod Spector.

Spector was nominated for a 2014 Tony Award for his performance as Barry Mann in *Beautiful: The Carole King Musical*, and he played Frankie Valli in Broadway's *Jersey Boys* for 1,500 performances. His new show, "A Little Help from My Friends," traces the sound that Frankie Valli had through songs made famous by such artists as Enrico Caruso, the Beach Boys, Little Richard, Paul McCartney, Bruno Mars and Queen, as well as several Four Seasons hits!

In February, Spector brought this show to Connecticut, and his engaging performance was captured for *The Kate*. Now, CPTV airs this premiere event. For more information on *The Kate*, visit TheKate.TV.

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CPTV	**Sister Acts (My Music)** (P) The Boswell Sisters, Andrews Sisters, Lennon Sisters and other sister acts are profiled in this new music special.			**Rock, Pop and Do Wop (My Music)** Jon "Bowzer" Bauman and Ronnie Spector bring back the best pop songs from the late 1950s and '60s with emotion-packed performances from iconic voices.				**Viewers' Favorites**
CPTV4U	**Best of Birds, A Nature Special Presentation**		**Nature - The Sagebrush Sea**		**Nature - Love in the Animal Kingdom**		**Charlie Rose**	
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TUE | 2	**8:00**	**8:30**	**9:00**	**9:30**	**10:00**	**10:30**	**11:00**	**11:30**
CPTV	**The Australian Pink Floyd Show: Eclipsed by the Moon** The acclaimed worldwide-touring tribute band performs songs from across the works of Pink Floyd.			**Motown 25: Yesterday, Today, Forever (My Music Presents)** This classic music special features host Richard Pryor and performances by Smokey Robinson and the Miracles, the Jackson 5 and many others.				**Viewers' Favorites**
CPTV4U	**Father Brown: Saving Souls, Solving Crimes**			**The Dr. Blake Mysteries - All That Glitters** (P)		**A Place to Call Home - Cane Toad** (P)		**Charlie Rose****
CPTV Sports	**National Geographic Bee 2015** (P)		**HS Baseball - E.O. Smith/Windham**				**National Geographic Bee 2015**	
WED | 3	**8:00**	**8:30**	**9:00**	**9:30**	**10:00**	**10:30**	**11:00**	**11:30**
CPTV	**The Tenors: Under One Sky** (P) The Tenors showcase their voices and angelic harmonies with new compositions and beloved songs.			**The Australian Pink Floyd Show: Eclipsed by the Moon** (See CPTV, June 2 at 8 p.m.)			**Viewers' Favorites**	
CPTV4U	**The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - The Rising Road (Part 5 of 7)** (See CPTV, June 23 at 8 p.m.)					**Teddy Roosevelt: A Cowboy's Ride to the White House**		**Charlie Rose****
CPTV Sports	**Girls HS Lacrosse - SCC Championship*** (Start: 7:30 p.m.)		**Twirl Girls**	**2015 CIAC HS Cheerleading Finals**				
THU | 4	**8:00**	**8:30**	**9:00**	**9:30**	**10:00**	**10:30**	**11:00**	**11:30**
CPTV	**Suze Orman's Financial Solutions for You** Financial expert Suze Orman tackles a number of money-related issues and problems as she focuses on helping individuals "find financial solutions for you."				**The Tenors: Under One Sky** (See CPTV, June 3 at 8 p.m.)			**Viewers' Favorites**
CPTV4U	**Last Days in Vietnam: American Experience**				**Independent Lens - The New Black** (P)		**Charlie Rose**	
CPTV Sports	**Boys HS Lacrosse - Southern Conn. Conference Championship*** (Start: 7:30 p.m.)			**The Medicine Game** (P)		**National Geographic Bee 2015**		**Roadtrip Nation**
FRI | 5	**8:00**	**8:30**	**9:00**	**9:30**	**10:00**	**10:30**	**11:00**	**11:30**
CPTV	**Viewers' Favorites** Enjoy an evening of some of CPTV's most popular music specials, how-to shows and more!							
CPTV4U	**Egypt's Golden Empire - The Warrior Pharaohs**		**Egypt's Golden Empire - Pharaohs of the Sun**		**Egypt's Golden Empire - The Last Great Pharaoh**		**Charlie Rose**	
CPTV Sports	**Double-A Minor League Baseball - New Britain Rock Cats/Akron RubberDucks*** (L) (Start: 6:30 p.m.)			**Movie Classics - A Few Good Men** (P) Tom Cruise and Jack Nicholson star in this tale of Navy lawyers defending two Marines accused of killing a private at a naval station.				
SAT | 6	**8:00**	**8:30**	**9:00**	**9:30**	**10:00**	**10:30**	**11:00**	**11:30**
CPTV	**Viewers' Favorites** Looking for variety? CPTV airs a day of concerts, educational programs and other shows for audiences of all ages.							
CPTV4U	**Masterpiece Mystery! - Death Comes to Pemberley (Part 1 of 2)**			**Masterpiece Mystery! - Death Comes to Pemberley (Part 2 of 2)**			**Antiques Roadshow - Washington, D.C., Part 3**	
CPTV Sports	**Girls HS Lacrosse - ECC Championship*** (Start: 7:30 p.m.)		**Boys HS Lacrosse - Eastern Conn. Conference Championship**				**The Medicine Game**	

Prime Time | June 7-12

SUN|7	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
CPTV	**Viewers' Favorites** Relax with a day of entertaining and educational television specials, courtesy of CPTV.							
CPTV4U	**Sister Acts (My Music)** (See CPTV, June 1 at 8 p.m.)			**Austin City Limits - Esperanza Spalding**		**Front and Center - Trey Anastasio Band** (P)		**Woodsongs**** (P)
CPTV Sports	**HS Baseball - E.O. Smith at Windham**				**Breaking and Entering**		**Running of the Bulls**	
MON|8	**8:00**	**8:30**	**9:00**	**9:30**	**10:00**	**10:30**	**11:00**	**11:30**
CPTV	**Antiques Roadshow - Vintage Los Angeles** Disney animation art and other items are newly appraised.		**Antiques Roadshow - Vintage Milwaukee** Updates on items such as a Tiffany lamp are highlighted.		**American Masters - Judy Garland: By Myself** With clips from the MGM library, including vaulted screen tests and rehearsal footage, this film tells Judy Garland's turbulent life story in her own words.			
CPTV4U	**Nature - The White Lions**		**Nature - Siberian Tiger Quest**		**Nature - Giant Zebra Exodus**		**Charlie Rose**	
CPTV Sports	**Girls HS Lacrosse - Southern Conn. Conference Championship**			**Boys HS Lacrosse - Southern Conn. Conference Championship**				**Trick Shot Pool**
TUE|9	**8:00**	**8:30**	**9:00**	**9:30**	**10:00**	**10:30**	**11:00**	**11:30**
CPTV	**The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - Get Action (Part 1 of 7)** The early lives of young Theodore Roosevelt and Franklin Delano Roosevelt are highlighted.				**The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - In the Arena (Part 2 of 7)** Theodore Roosevelt transforms the office of the presidency. FDR courts and weds Eleanor Roosevelt.			
CPTV4U	**Father Brown - The Truth in the Wine**		**The Dr. Blake Mysteries - Someone's Son, Someone's...** (P)		**A Place to Call Home - Lest We Forget** (P)		**Charlie Rose**	
CPTV Sports	**Rosenblatt: The Final Inning**		**Double-A Minor League Baseball - New Britain Rock Cats/Akron RubberDucks (June 5 game)**					
WED|10	**8:00**	**8:30**	**9:00**	**9:30**	**10:00**	**10:30**	**11:00**	**11:30**
CPTV	**Pioneers in Aviation: The Race to the Moon Mini-Marathon** Catch all three parts of this award-winning documentary covering the history of American aviation, from the Wright brothers to the frontiers of space. Watch Part 1, "The Early Years," followed by Parts 2 and 3, "The War Years" and "The Race to the Moon."						**NOVA - Surviving the Tsunami** Personal stories from Japan offer insights on what to do in a disaster.	
CPTV4U	**Antiques Roadshow - Vintage...** (See CPTV, June 8 at 8 p.m.)		**Hallowed Grounds**		**Navy Heroes of Normandy**		**Charlie Rose**	
CPTV Sports	**Double-A Minor League Baseball - New Britain Rock Cats/Akron RubberDucks (June 7 game)*** (Start: 7:30 p.m.)					**American Masters - Plimpton! Starring George Plimpton as Himself**		
THU|11	**8:00**	**8:30**	**9:00**	**9:30**	**10:00**	**10:30**	**11:00**	**11:30**
CPTV	**All Things Connecticut**	**Connecticut's Cultural Treasures**	**Cancer: The Emperor of All Maladies - Magic Bullets (Part 1 of 3)** Learn how Sidney Farber introduced the modern era of chemotherapy, eventually galvanizing a "war on cancer."				**Ask This Old House**	**This Old House**
CPTV4U	**Freedom Riders: American Experience**				**Independent Lens - Love Free or Die**		**Charlie Rose**	
CPTV Sports	**Double-A Minor League Baseball - New Britain Rock Cats/Akron RubberDucks (June 5 game)*** (Start: 7:30 p.m.)					**Running of the Bulls**		**Roadtrip Nation**
FRI|12	**8:00**	**8:30**	**9:00**	**9:30**	**10:00**	**10:30**	**11:00**	**11:30**
CPTV	**Midsomer Murders - Ring Out Your Dead (Parts 1 and 2)** (P) Catch both parts of this *Midsomer Murders* mystery in which a series of church-bell ringers are murdered and a nursery rhyme line is left by each body.				**Infinity Hall Live - America** (P) (See pages 72-73)		**Front and Center - alt-J** (P)	
CPTV4U	**NOVA - D-Day's Sunken Secrets** (See CPTV, June 17 at 8 p.m.)				**D-Day 360**		**Charlie Rose**	
CPTV Sports	**HS Baseball - CIAC Final Game 1*** (L) (Start: 7 p.m.)		**2015 CIAC HS Cheerleading Finals**					**In Focus**

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Prime Time | June 13-18

SAT | 13	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
CPTV	**Born to Royalty*** (Start: 7:30 p.m.) Learn what lies ahead for heir to the British throne Prince George.		**Movie Classics - The Barefoot Contessa** (P) In this film starring Humphrey Bogart and Ava Gardner, flashbacks at a funeral reveal how a night club dancer was propelled to stardom and eventual misfortune.					**American Masters**** (Start: 11:15 p.m.)
CPTV4U	**Masterpiece Mystery! - Poirot, Season 12: The Big Four**			**Masterpiece Contemporary - Page Eight**				**Vicious**
CPTV Sports	**HS Baseball - CIAC Championship Game 4*** (L) (Start: 7 p.m.)		**National Geographic Bee 2015**		**P.O.V. - Brooklyn Castle**			**Film School Shorts**

SUN | 14	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
CPTV	**The Forsyte Saga (Part 1 of 13)** (See page 71)		**The Forsyte Saga (Part 2 of 13)** (See page 71)		**The Forsyte Saga (Part 3 of 13)** (See page 71)		**Secrets of the Manor House** Find out what it was like to live in a British manor house 100 years ago.	
CPTV4U	**Infinity Hall Live - America** (See pages 72-73)		**Austin City Limits - Nine Inch Nails**		**Front and Center - For King and Country** (P)		**Woodsongs - Crowder and the Collection** (P)	
CPTV Sports	**2015 CIAC Open Track Championships** (P)						**Jesse Owens: Enduring Spirit**	**Film School Shorts**

MON | 15	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
CPTV	**Antiques Roadshow - Vintage St. Louis** (P) Highlights include a Petrus van Schendel painting.		**Antiques Roadshow - Vintage Rochester** Items include a painting by Frank Zappa.		**Caring for Mom & Dad** (See page 71)		**Born to Royalty**** (See CPTV, June 13 at 7:30 p.m.)	
CPTV4U	**Nature - Invasion of the Giant Pythons**		**Your Inner Fish - Reptile**		**Jonathan Bird's Blue World**	**Jonathan Bird's Blue World**	**Charlie Rose**	
CPTV Sports	**Double-A Minor League Baseball - N.B. Rock Cats/ Akron RubberDucks (June 7 game)*** (Start: 6:30 p.m.)			**Paving the Way: The National Park-to-Park Highway (Parts 1 and 2)**				**Into the Wild: Edison, Ford...**

TUE | 16	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
CPTV	**The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - The Fire of Life (Part 3 of 7)** President Theodore Roosevelt leads a Progressive crusade that splits his own Republican party.				**The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - The Storm (Part 4 of 7)** FDR serves as governor of New York and becomes the presidential nominee for the Democrats in 1932.			
CPTV4U	**Father Brown - The Judgement of Man** (P)		**Hetty Wainthropp Investigates - Something to Treasure**		**A Place to Call Home - True to Your Heart** (P)		**Charlie Rose**	
CPTV Sports	**Girls HS Lacrosse - CIAC Championship Game 1*** (P) (Start: 7:30 p.m.)			**2015 CIAC Open Track Championships****				

WED | 17	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
CPTV	**NOVA - D-Day's Sunken Secrets** Dive teams and underwater robots discover Allied crafts that sank during the invasion of Normandy.				**NOVA - Escape from Nazi Alcatraz** Engineers test a plan to escape a Nazi war camp using a glider.		**Enemy of the Reich: The Noor Inayat Khan Story** (P) A British spy during World War II is profiled.	
CPTV4U	**Antiques Roadshow - Vintage...** (See CPTV, June 8 at 9 p.m.)		**Born to Royalty** (See CPTV, June 13 at 7:30 p.m.)			**Secrets of Althorp - The Spencers**		**Charlie Rose****
CPTV Sports	**Girls HS Lacrosse - CIAC Championship Game 2*** (P) (Start: 7:30 p.m.)			**Boys HS Volleyball - CIAC Championship Game 1** (P)				**Second Opinion**

THU | 18	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
CPTV	**Letter from Italy, 1944: A New American Oratorio** (P) (See page 73)		**Cancer: The Emperor of All Maladies - The Bind Men and the Elephant (Part 2 of 3)** The search for a cure for cancer, from the 1970s to targeted therapies in the 1990s, is examined.				**Ask This Old House**	**This Old House**
CPTV4U	**Freedom Summer: American Experience**				**Independent Lens - Limited...** (P) (See CPTV, June 29 at 11 p.m.)		**Charlie Rose**	
CPTV Sports	**Girls HS Lacrosse - CIAC Championship Game 3*** (P) (Start: 7:30 p.m.)			**Boys HS Volleyball - CIAC Championship Game 2** (P)				**Film School Shorts**

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Prime Time | June 19-24

FRI|19	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
CPTV	Midsomer Murders - Murder on St. Malley's Day (Parts 1 and 2) (P) The stabbing death of a pupil at a prestigious school leads Barnaby to an elite secret society.				Infinity Hall Live - Sadie and the Hotheads (P) (See pages 72-73)		In Performance at the White House - Women of Soul	
CPTV4U	NOVA - Escape from Nazi Alcatraz (See CPTV, June 17 at 10 p.m.)		Nazi Mega Weapons - Atlantic Wall		Enemy of the Reich: The Noor... (See CPTV, June 17 at 11 p.m.)		Charlie Rose	
CPTV Sports	HS Baseball - CIAC Championship Game 2* (Start: 7:30 p.m.)			Movie Classics - The Barefoot Contessa (See CPTV, June 13 at 9 p.m.)				

SAT|20	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
CPTV	American Masters - The Boomer List* (Start: 7:30 p.m.) Iconic baby boomers are interviewed.		Fat Man and Little Boy (P) This 1989 feature film starring Paul Newman dramatizes the events leading up to the American bombing of Nagasaki and Hiroshima in August of 1945.				D-Day 360 Modern technology is used to recreate the landscape of D-Day.	
CPTV4U	Masterpiece Mystery! - Poirot, Season 12: Dead Man's Folly			Masterpiece Contemporary - Worricker: Turks & Caicos				Vicious
CPTV Sports	HS Baseball - CIAC Championship Game 3* (Start: 7 p.m.)		Paving the Way: The National Park-to-Park Highway (Parts 1 and 2)				Globe Trekker - South Atlantic	

SUN|21	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
CPTV	Tales from the Royal Wardrobe (P) Examine the significance of the wardrobes of English monarchs.		Poldark on Masterpiece (Part 1 of 7) (P) (See page 71)		The Forsyte Saga (Part 4 of 13) (See page 71)		The Crimson Field (Part 1 of 6) (P) This drama follows a group of World War I frontline medics.	
CPTV4U	Infinity Hall Live - Sadie and the Hotheads (See pages 72-73)		Austin City Limits - Los Lobos/ Thao & the Get Down Stay Down		Front and Center - Warren Haynes (P)		Woodsongs - The Holmes Brothers and Chatham... (P)	
CPTV Sports	Globe Trekker - Tough Trains: Siberia		HS Baseball - CIAC Championship Game 1				Frontline - Fast Times at West Philly High	

MON|22	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
CPTV	Antiques Roadshow - Vintage Sacramento (P) Highlights include an 1864 Lincoln campaign poster.		Antiques Roadshow - Vintage Louisville Get updates on items appraised in Louisville in 1998.		Journey of Caregiving: A CPTV Town Hall Meeting The challenges of family caregiving are discussed.		P.O.V. - Out in the Night (P) The women known as the New Jersey Four face an uphill court battle.	
CPTV4U	Nature - Honey Badgers: Masters of Mayhem		Nature - Raccoon Nation		Nature - Meet the Coywolf		Charlie Rose	
CPTV Sports	Ride Along the Lincoln Highway		HS Baseball - CIAC Championship Game 2				Rough Cut	Second Opinion

TUE|23	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
CPTV	The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - The Rising Road (Part 5 of 7) FDR brings the same optimism and energy to the White House that his cousin Theodore displayed.				The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - The Common Cause (Part 6 of 7) FDR breaks the third-term tradition and tries to prepare a reluctant country to enter World War II.			
CPTV4U	Father Brown - The Time Machine (P)		Hetty Wainthropp Investigates - Family Values		A Place to Call Home - New Beginning (P)		Charlie Rose	
CPTV Sports	Globe Trekker - Food Hour: Deep South		HS Baseball - CIAC Championship Game 3				Signs of the Time	

WED|24	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
CPTV	NOVA - Inside Animal Minds: Bird Genius Researchers explore how birds understand the world.		First Peoples - Americas/Africa (P) (See page 71)				Secrets of the Dead - Cavemen Cold Case Neanderthal bones are discovered in northern Spain.	
CPTV4U	Antiques Roadshow - Vintage... (See CPTV, June 15 at 9 p.m.)		A Program About Unusual Buildings & Other Roadside Stuff		Sandwiches That You Will Like		Charlie Rose	
CPTV Sports	The Truth About Exercise with Michael Mosley		HS Baseball - CIAC Championship Game 4				Ride Along the Lincoln Highway	

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Prime Time | June 25-30

THU|25	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
CPTV	Doc Martin - Preserve the Romance Martin struggles to come to terms with fatherhood.		Cancer: The Emperor of All Maladies - Finding the Achilles Heel (Part 3 of 3) Scientists are excited by the prospect of harnessing the human immune system to defeat cancer.				Ask This Old House	This Old House
CPTV4U	The '60s in Connecticut (See CPTV, June 29 at 10 p.m.)		Klansville: American Experience		P.O.V. - Out in the Night (See CPTV, June 22 at 11 p.m.)		Charlie Rose	
CPTV Sports	Boys HS Volleyball - CIAC Championship Game 1* (Start: 7:30 p.m.)			Girls HS Lacrosse - CIAC Championship Game 1			Out on a Limb	

FRI|26	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
CPTV	Midsomer Murders - Market for Murder (Parts 1 and 2) (P) The head of a local book club is murdered and suspicion soon falls on the club members.				Infinity Hall Live - Tedeschi Trucks Band (P) (See pages 72-73)		In Performance at the White House - The Gospel Tradition (P)	
CPTV4U	NOVA - Inside Animal Minds... (See CPTV, June 24 at 8 p.m.)		First Peoples - Americas/Africa (See page 71)				Charlie Rose	
CPTV Sports	Boys HS Volleyball - CIAC Championship Game 2* (Start: 7:30 p.m.)			2015 CIAC Open Track Championships**				

SAT|27	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
CPTV	The Kate - Jarrod Spector: A Little Help from My Friends (P) (See page 73)		Movie Classics - A Few Good Men (See CPTV Sports, June 5 at 9:30 p.m.)					Antiques Roadshow**
CPTV4U	Agatha Christie's Poirot - Elephants Can Remember			Masterpiece Contemporary - Worricker: Salting the Battlefield				Vicious
CPTV Sports	Breaking and Entering		Girls HS Lacrosse - CIAC Championship Game 2			Globe Trekker - Food Hour: Deep South		Film School Shorts

SUN|28	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
CPTV	Last Tango in Halifax, Season 3 (Part 1 of 6) (P) (See page 71)		Poldark on Masterpiece (Part 2 of 7) (P) (See page 71)		The Forsyte Saga (Part 5 of 13)		The Crimson Field (Part 2 of 6) (P) (See CPTV, June 21 at 11 p.m.)	
CPTV4U	Infinity Hall Live - Tedeschi Trucks Band		Austin City Limits - Tweedy		Front and Center - James Blunt		Woodsongs - Lisa Biales and the Barefoot Movement (P)	
CPTV Sports	Globe Trekker - Tough Trains: Vietnam		Girls HS Lacrosse - CIAC Championship Game 3			Ride Along the Lincoln Highway		Film School Shorts

MON|29	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
CPTV	Antiques Roadshow - Vintage Denver (P) Items include a Bakelite collection.		Antiques Roadshow - Vintage Hartford Items appraised in the Nutmeg State are revisited.		The '60s in Connecticut Get an unflinching look at the '60s through the eyes of Connecticut residents.		Independent Lens - Limited Partnership A gay couple fought for marriage equality for 40 years.	
CPTV4U	Nature - Parrot Confidential		NOVA - Inside Animal Minds... (See CPTV, June 24 at 8 p.m.)		Nature - Magic of the Snowy Owl		Charlie Rose	
CPTV Sports	HS Baseball - CIAC Championship Game 1* (Start: 7:30 p.m.)			2015 CIAC Open Track Championships**				

TUE|30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
CPTV	The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - A Strong and Active Faith (Part 7 of 7) FDR is determined to see the war through to victory, and Eleanor fights for civil liberties.				Frontline - Growing Up Trans (P) Explore the struggles facing transgender kids and their parents through moving personal stories.			Frontline - Rape on the Night Shift** (P)
CPTV4U	Father Brown - The Standing Stones (P)		Hetty Wainthropp Investigates - Digging for Dirt		A Place to Call Home - Secret Love (P)		Charlie Rose	
CPTV Sports	HS Baseball - Championship Game 4* (Start: 7:30 p.m.)			The Truth About Exercise with Michael Mosely		Guts with Michael Mosley		Second Opinion

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Monday Through Friday

6:30 AM	Arthur	12:30 PM	Thomas & Friends
7:00	Odd Squad	1:00	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood
7:30	Wild Kratts	1:30	Caillou
8:00	Curious George	2:00	Super Why!
8:30	The Cat in the Hat	2:30	Dinosaur Train
9:00	Peg + Cat	3:00	Peg + Cat
9:30	Dinosaur Train	3:30	The Cat in the Hat
10:00	Sesame Street	4:00	Curious George
11:00	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood	4:30	Odd Squad
11:30	Super Why!	5:00	Wild Kratts
Noon	Sid the Science Kid	5:30	Wild Kratts

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Saturday Morning Lineup (6:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.)*

6:30 a.m. Peep and the Big Wide World
7:00 a.m. Wild Kratts
7:30 a.m. Thomas & Friends
8:00 a.m. WordWorld
8:30 a.m. Biz Kid$
9:00 a.m. Everyday Edisons
9:30 a.m. Getting Away Together
10:00 a.m. Rick Steves' Europe
10:30 a.m. All Things Connecticut**
11:00 a.m. Connecticut's Cultural Treasures**
11:30 a.m. This Old House Hour

Sunday Morning Lineup (6:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.)*

6:30 a.m. Angelina Ballerina: The Next Steps
7:00 a.m. Curious George
7:30 a.m. The Cat in the Hat
8:00 a.m. Signing Time
8:30 a.m. Design Squad
9:00 a.m. Charlie Rose: The Week
9:30 a.m. Religion & Ethics Newsweekly
10:00 a.m. Washington Week
10:30 a.m. Start Up
11:00 a.m. Consuelo Mack WealthTrack
11:30 a.m. To the Contrary

***On Saturday, June 6 and Sunday, June 7, this programming will be preempted by special Viewers' Favorites programs.**

** On Saturday, June 20, *Secrets of the Manor House* will air 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

SATURDAY, JUNE 6

12:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Viewers' Favorites

SUNDAY, JUNE 7

12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Viewers' Favorites

SATURDAY, JUNE 13

12:30 p.m. Growing a Greener World
1:00 p.m. The Victory Garden's Edible Feast
1:30 p.m. Baking with Julia
2:00 p.m. America's Test Kitchen
2:30 p.m. Cook's Country Kitchen
3:00 p.m. Martha Stewart's Cooking School
3:30 p.m. Martha Bakes
4:00 p.m. Jacques Pepin: More Fast Food My Way
4:30 p.m. Simply Ming
5:00 p.m. Lidia's Kitchen
5:30 p.m. Garden Smart
6:00 p.m. Hometime
6:30 p.m. Ask This Old House
7:00 p.m. This Old House
7:30 p.m. Born to Royalty (until 9:00 p.m.)

SUNDAY, JUNE 14

12:00 p.m. McLaughlin Group
12:30 p.m. All Things Connecticut
1:00 p.m. Enemy of the Reich: The Noor Inayat Khan Story
2:00 p.m. Movie Classics - The Barefoot Contessa
4:30 p.m. Hometime
5:00 p.m. Ask This Old House
5:30 p.m. This Old House
6:00 p.m. American Masters - Judy Garland: By Myself

SATURDAY, JUNE 20

12:30 p.m. Growing a Greener World
1:00 p.m. The Victory Garden's Edible Feast
1:30 p.m. Baking with Julia
2:00 p.m. America's Test Kitchen
2:30 p.m. Cook's Country Kitchen
3:00 p.m. Martha Stewart's Cooking School
3:30 p.m. Martha Bakes
4:00 p.m. Jacques Pepin: More Fast Food My Way
4:30 p.m. Simply Ming
5:00 p.m. Lidia's Kitchen
5:30 p.m. Garden Smart
6:00 p.m. Hometime
6:30 p.m. Ask This Old House
7:00 p.m. This Old House
7:30 p.m. American Masters - The Boomer List (until 9:00 p.m.)

SUNDAY, JUNE 21

12:00 p.m. McLaughlin Group
12:30 p.m. Connecticut's Cultural Treasures
1:00 p.m. Caring for Mom & Dad
2:00 p.m. Fat Man and Little Boy
4:00 p.m. Woodsmith Shop
4:30 p.m. Hometime
5:00 p.m. Ask This Old House
5:30 p.m. This Old House
6:00 p.m. NOVA - D-Day's Sunken Secrets

SATURDAY, JUNE 27

12:30 p.m. Growing a Greener World
1:00 p.m. The Victory Garden's Edible Feast
1:30 p.m. Baking with Julia
2:00 p.m. America's Test Kitchen
2:30 p.m. Cook's Country Kitchen
3:00 p.m. Martha Stewart's Cooking School
3:30 p.m. Martha Bakes
4:00 p.m. Jacques Pepin: More Fast Food My Way
4:30 p.m. Simply Ming
5:00 p.m. Lidia's Kitchen
5:30 p.m. Garden Smart
6:00 p.m. Hometime
6:30 p.m. Ask This Old House
7:00 p.m. This Old House
7:30 p.m. Connecticut's Cultural Treasures

SUNDAY, JUNE 28

12:00 p.m. McLaughlin Group
12:30 p.m. All Things Connecticut
1:00 p.m. Hallowed Grounds
2:00 p.m. Movie Classics - A Few Good Men
4:30 p.m. Hometime
5:00 p.m. Ask This Old House
5:30 p.m. This Old House
6:00 p.m. Doc Martin - Preserve the Romance
7:00 p.m. Caring for Mom & Dad

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The winners will be announced at the 38th Boston/New England Emmy Awards ceremony this spring.

CPTV's nominations include:

Outstanding Interstitial
Yale University Art Gallery, Connecticut Cultural Treasure

MetaMedia: UConn - Where Is the Student in Student-Athlete? (A CPBN Media Lab production)

Outstanding Informational/ Instructional Program
Made in Connecticut

Outstanding Special Event Coverage
Infinity Hall Live, "Brett Dennen"

Outstanding Arts/ Entertainment Program
Creative Stages

Outstanding Audio
Creative Stages - Larry Roeming, Field Audio Recording/Audio Post-Production

Outstanding Magazine Feature/Segment
Ming Cho Lee, Theatrical Set Designer

Outstanding Editor - Program
Inside the Creative Process with Pilobolus - Larry Roeming, Editor

Outstanding News Specialty Report - Arts/ Entertainment
Inside the Creative Process with Pilobolus

Outstanding Director - Post-Production
Infinity Hall Live, "Brett Dennen" - Karen Silverstein, Post-Production Director

Outstanding Community/ Public Service Campaign
The Stay Safe Singers - Fire Safety and Prevention

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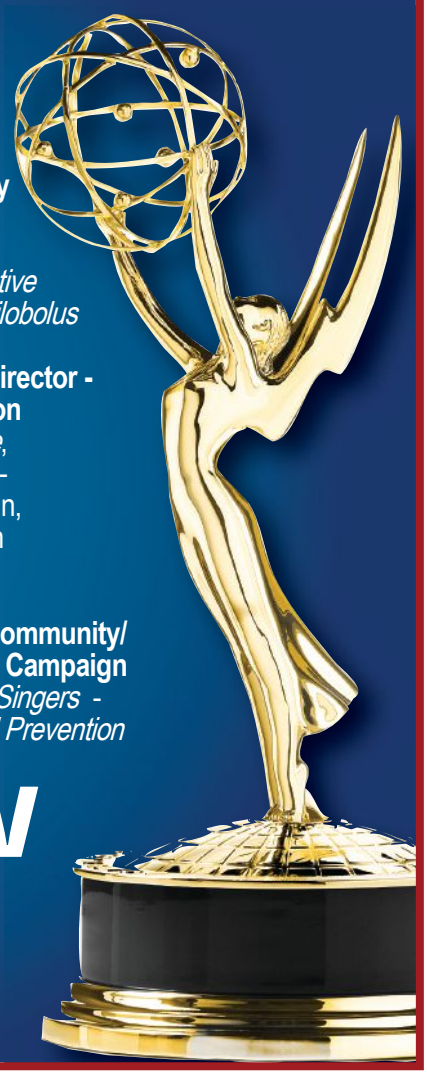

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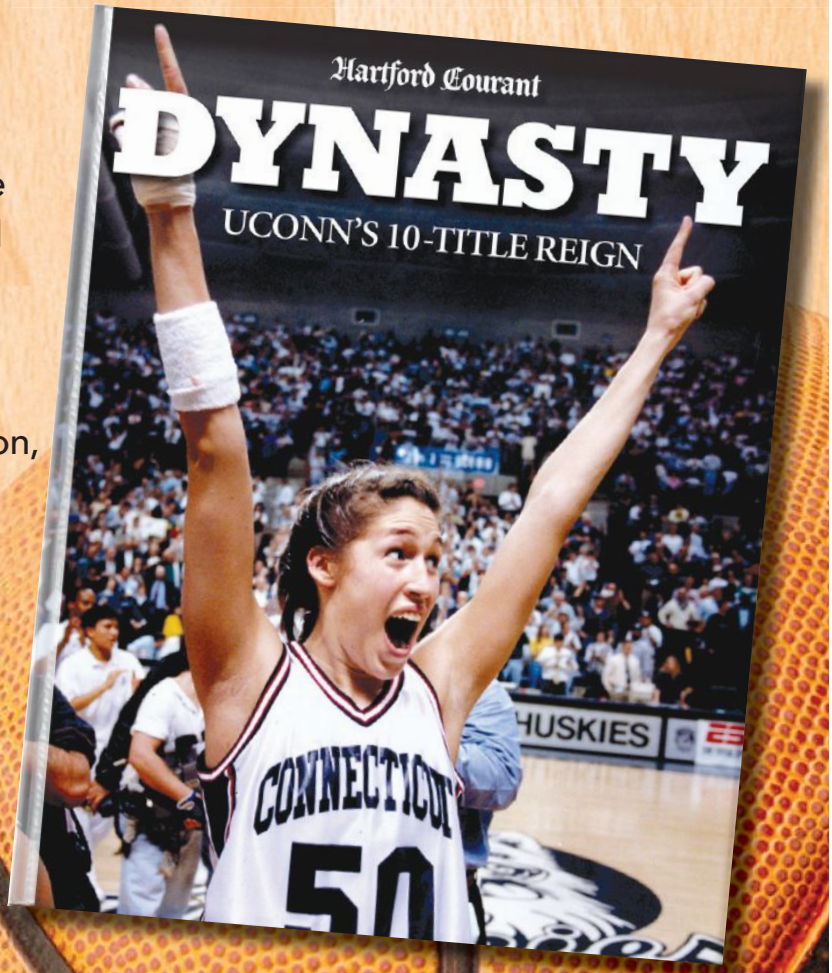

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Capt. Gray's Final Voyage

DURING THE 19TH CENTURY, DYING AT SEA WASN'T UNUSUAL, BUT WHAT HAPPENED TO SLUMAN GRAY AFTERWARD WAS.

We've heard of metaphorically being "over a barrel," but what about literally being in one?

Sit thee back and enjoy the peculiar sea-farin' tale of Captain Sluman Gray of Lebanon.

Of course, like any yarn spun from days of yore, the gulf between the story and the truth can be as wide as the ocean itself.

For a long time, the narrative regarding Capt. Gray went like this: An experienced whaling captain, Gray—with his wife Sarah and their children in tow—put out aboard the *James Maury* in June 1864 from nearby New Bedford, Mass., headed for prime hunting grounds in the South Pacific. As it was amidst the hostilities of the Civil War, the *James Maury* soon came under attack from a Confederate raider, the *Shenandoah*, which directed a full onslaught on the weaponless and defenseless whaleship. During the fray, the valiant Capt. Gray was mortally wounded, and subsequently expired. Rather than letting her husband be buried at sea as was the custom, the newly widowed Sarah Gray appealed to the *Shenandoah*'s captain, begging that Capt. Gray's body be kept on board for proper burial at home in Connecticut. The Confederate crew conceded, and with no better options available, it was decided to preserve the dearly departed captain in a barrel of rum. And then after returning home, rather than being "unpacked," Capt. Gray was finally laid to rest in Lebanon—barrel and all.

A fun story, no doubt, but reality is just as compelling.

Let's start with the basics. Sluman Gray and his wife Sarah were from Lebanon, and he was indeed the captain of the *James Maury*, which sailed from New Bedford in June 1864 in pursuit of whales. Sluman Gray also did die while at sea during this fateful voyage, although the circumstances were much less dramatic than the popular story.

Thanks to the efforts of Lebanon town historian Alicia Wayland, who has researched the story in great detail and wrote about it at length in *Connecticut Explored* (Summer 2013), we also know that Sarah Gray often accompanied her husband on his whaling voyages, which was rare but not unheard of as captains were allowed to bring their families on trips. On this particular journey, the Grays were joined by three of their eight children.

Wayland also tells us that although only 51 years old, Sluman had prospered from his numerous whaling expeditions and had purchased land in Lebanon, which he had also represented in the Connecticut legislature. He had a reputation as a harsh skipper, not above flogging crew members for minor infractions, but was also quite kind to his wife.

Although New England whalers had long hunted the waters of the Atlantic, increased competition from other countries forced them to travel farther from home ports. By the 1860s, ships were regularly venturing to the South Pacific and even to the Arctic to find whales, making for arduous journeys that often spanned years.

After more than nine months at sea, the *James Maury* was in the South Pacific near Guam when, rather than being caught in the crossfire of the Civil War, Sluman Gray suddenly became seriously ill. Then, according to the ship's logbook, on March 24, 1865, "Captain Gray expired at 2 p.m. after an illness of 2 days." Later in a letter, Sarah would describe the fatal malady as being "an inflamation of the bowels." Unfortunately, such a vague description could have been anything from dysentery to appendicitis, so it's not known what ultimately did in Capt. Gray other than it wasn't a Confederate bullet. It was recorded that he had been preserved "in spirits"—although chances are no one toasted his memory with any of *that* particular drink.

The "death in battle" anecdote also doesn't fit the timeline of actual events as the *James Maury* didn't encounter the *Shenandoah* until a few months later in June. By that point, the *James Maury*—with the widow Gray, her children and barrel-bound husband still on board—had continued its voyage, sailing to the Bering Sea for the summer hunting season.

Even though the Civil War had actually ended two months earlier, without official word, the *Shenandoah* was still engaged in following orders to wreak havoc on the Union whaling fleet. Under Lt. Commander James I. Waddell, the 230-foot-long and heavily armed ship captured 24 unarmed whaling vessels in June 1865 alone, part of the 38 Union vessels it would take in total. Most ships were sunk or burned, with crews taken prisoner. The presence of Sarah Gray and her offspring spared the *James Maury*, as Waddell assured her that the "men of the South did not make war on women and children."

The *James Maury* was ransomed and sailed to Honolulu with the Grays among the 222 prisoners on board. Following their release, the widow and her children made their way home over the next few months, finally arriving in Lebanon in March 1866—with Capt. Gray's cask still intact. He was then finally interred in Liberty Hill Cemetery.

But one last question remains: Was Sluman Gray buried, barrel and all? Historian Alicia Wayland's educated guess is that he was, as she points out, "There are no payments by Sarah Gray in the record of her expenses for purchase of a coffin or fee to a carpenter for making one." As far as she knows, no one has ever suggested an archaeological excavation to find out for sure. Gray's tombstone (above) stands near the rear of the cemetery, and although the back of the weathered stone is difficult to read, there's no indication of anything other than his formerly spirit-soaked remains being six feet below it.

Either way, one thing is for certain: After a long journey, Capt. Sluman Gray is finally at rest.

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